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His Majesty the King last night: "Among all free peoples, love of peace is profound; for this alone gives security to the home. But true peace is in the hearts of men and it is a tragedy of this time that there are powerful countries, whose whole direction and policy are based on aggression and suppression of all that we hold dear for mankind. It is this that has stirred our peoples and has given them a unity unknown in any previous war."

H.M.'s STIRRING RADIO MESSAGE TO EMPIRE

SITTING ALONE IN THE STUDY AT SANDRINGHAM PALACE FROM WHERE HIS BELOVED FATHER SO OFTEN BROADCAST ON CHRISTMAS DAY BEFORE HIM, HIS MAJESTY THE KING LAST NIGHT BROADCAST TO THE EMPIRE.

The King's broadcast was relayed by ZBW in Hongkong. Reception was perfect and the broadcast was one of the most perfect ever relayed from Daventry.

Messages from many parts of the world report excellent reception.

JAPAN AND BRITAIN

SEEK TO SETTLE OLD PROBLEMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 25 (UP).—Information reaching foreign embassies here touching Far Eastern activities indicates that important developments in Anglo-Japanese relations is expected soon in an announcement for the settlement of the Tientsin issues, including the settlement of the silver currency problem shortly after the New Year. However, it is envisaged the settlement will not cost the British sacrifice of vital interests.

It is recalled that an Anglo-Japanese accord was reached last July for the maintenance of security inside the British Concession in Tientsin.

It was shelved when negotiations in Tokyo collapsed in August as the result of the Japanese demand regarding the Chinese silver deposits in British and French banks in Tientsin.

The joint policing arrangement in the British Concession will be embodied in the impending settlement.

It is understood that the Japanese will lift the blockade of the concession.

Japanese circles hope the amicable settlement will make it easier for Britain to deal with the projected central Chinese government.

Chinese Advance

Now Close To Nanning

Japanese Hold Out Tenaciously

CHUNGKING, Dec. 25 (Reuters).—Chinese forces advancing on Nanning have completed the occupation of a 12-mile stretch of highway up to a point 13 miles north-east of the city, it is claimed in Chinese reports.

Japanese troops are said to be holding on to parts of the highway beyond this point, about 30 miles from Nanning and south of Kunming.

Chinese forces are said to be concentrating their efforts on "mopping up" this body of Japanese before launching an attack on Nanning itself.

Fighting Near Nanchang

Another Chinese column, striking west of Nanning, captured Shihpuyu on Friday afternoon.

In Kiangsi, Chinese dispatches report, fighting at present centres in the area immediately north of Nanchang, where the Chinese launched an attack on Wednesday night.

It is claimed here that this force reached the outskirts of Nanning on Saturday night.

From Melbourne, on the other side of the world from London, "Reuter" reports that reception was good throughout.

A message from tiny Ascension Island also claimed excellent reception.

His Majesty spoke into the same microphone that he used for his first Christmas broadcast two years ago.

At that time the King had intended to continue the practice of broadcasting on Christmas Day because it had been so personally connected with his father, but to-day he broadcast because of the war.

His Majesty had Christmas luncheon with the Queen and the two Princesses in a big dining room and a few minutes before 3 p.m. he went alone to his study, waiting for the red glimmer above the microphone telling him that he was in touch with the whole Empire.

Broadcasting his Christmas Day message to the Empire, His Majesty said:

"The festival which we know as Christmas is, above all, a festival of peace and of the home."

"Among all free peoples, hope of peace is profound; for this alone gives security to the home. But true peace is in the hearts of men and it is a tragedy of this time that there are powerful countries, whose whole direction and policy are based on aggression and suppression of all that we hold dear for mankind."

"It is this that has stirred our peoples and has given them a unity unknown in any previous war."

"We feel in our hearts that we are fighting against wickedness and this conviction will give us strength from day to day to persevere until victory is assured."

"At home we are, as it were, taking the strain for what may lie ahead of us, resolved and confident."

"We look with pride and thankfulness on the never-failing courage and devotion of the Royal Navy, on which throughout the last four months, has borne a storm of ruthless and unceasing war."

"And when I speak of our Royal Navy to-day, I mean all the men of our Empire who go down to the sea in ships—mercantile marine, mine-sweepers, trawlers and drifters—from senior officers to the last boy who joined up."

"To everyone in this great Fleet, I send a message."

"I send greetings to the gallant Air Force, which in co-operation with the Navy, is our sure shield of defence. They are daily adding laurels to those which their fathers won."

"I would send a special word of greeting to the armies of the Empire, to those who have come from afar, and in particular, to the British Expeditionary Force."

"Their task is hard. They are waiting."

"Waiting is a trial of nerve and discipline, but I know that when the moment comes for action, they will prove themselves worthy of the highest traditions of their great service."

"To all those preparing themselves to serve their country, on sea, land or in the air, I send my greetings."

"Men and women of our far-flung Empire are working in their several vocations with the one same purpose. All are members of the great family of nations which are PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

CHRISTMAS EVE RAIDS

No Yuletide Respite For Finland

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 25 (Reuters).—Hundreds of Soviet planes flew over Finland and dropped bombs at several places.

Helsingfors had two alarms, but it is not yet known whether bombs were dropped on the city and neighbourhood, or whether they were merely leaflets.

Civilians Killed

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 25 (Reuters).—In to-day's air-raids, the town of Provoo on the east of the Gulf of Finland was bombed. Nine civilians were killed.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to bomb Helsingfors airport.

It is reported that at least ten enemy planes were brought down. One crashed outside Helsingfors.

It is believed that 30 Soviet planes took part in the raids on the capital.

Russian Claims

MOSCOW, Dec. 25 (Reuters).—A communique claims that 971 Finnish troops were killed and 35 taken prisoner in "serious clashes between reconnaissance units in the Karelian Isthmus" yesterday.

The communique further says that otherwise nothing important occurred at the front.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
HELSINGFORS, Dec. 25 (UP).—A summary communique reviewing the war to date states, "So far the war has cost the enemy enormous losses."

"The exact number of enemy fallen can not be known but it must be extraordinarily large figures. Companies and regiments of the enemy have been cut up and scattered."

"The fire from the defenders mowed down line after line of attackers as the enemy mercilessly threw them into the fire."

"In addition to the heavy losses, there are difficulties in supplying the enemy troops. On all fronts large PLEASE Turn To Page 2.



The King broadcasting to the Empire

D.S.C. FOR SUB. COMMANDER

LONDON, Dec. 24 (Reuters).—The Admiralty, in an official communique, announces that the Distinguished Service Order has been conferred on Lieut. Commander G.C. Phillips of the submarine Ursula, which recently destroyed an enemy cruiser off Heligoland.

Other decorations and promotions for officers and men of the Ursula are also made, and all are congratulated upon their great success.

Gracie With The Troops Christmas Surprise For The R.A.F.

LONDON, Dec. 25 (Reuters).—Duty watches were maintained by all R.A.F. units in France throughout Christmas, but many men were able to enjoy Christmas dinner in their billets, says "Reuters" special correspondent with the Air Force.

Several hundred airmen received a surprise visit from Grade Fields, who arrived at the men's decorated dining hall and was greeted with tremendous enthusiasm and cheers.

She sang several songs. Later Gracie sang to a crowded cheering and appreciative audience in a cinema behind the lines at a concert broadcast by the B.B.C.

The audience joined in singing old war songs, concluding with Christmas carols.

Holligoland Flight
LONDON, Dec. 25 (Reuters).—An Air Ministry official stated that the flight over Holligoland mentioned in a German communique was merely a routine patrol over that area.

The British aircraft were not engaged and all machines returned safely.

It is added: "We do not issue bulletins regarding such flights which are regarded merely as a matter of routine."

Cheery Christmas For Troops

PARIS, Dec. 25 (Reuters).—Christmas Day was completely quiet on the Western Front, action being limited to small patrols.

The troops generally spent a cheery Christmas.

Hitler continued his tour of the Siegfried Line.

ASSASSINS IN SHAI

WANG FOLLOWER KILLED IN CAFE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SHANGHAI, Dec. 25 (UP).—Two Chinese were killed and one was seriously injured when they were shot when leaving a cafe adjoining a gambling establishment at 3.50 a.m. this morning.

One of the men killed was a member of Wang Ching-wei's armed Special Service Force, and the other one was silk merchant.

The wounded man, it is reported, is also a follower of Wang Ching-wei and a former guerrilla in the Shanghai Area.

He is said to have been assigned by Wang to winning over Chinese guerrillas to the "puppet" cause.

The three men were leaving the cafe when they were met with bullets from a dark street. The customers in the cafe were panic-stricken. The gunmen escaped before they could be seen.

The shooting occurred in the special municipal district; the Japanese-controlled Taito regime is therefore handling the case.

Christmas Day Assassination

SHANGHAI, Dec. 26 (Reuters).—Assassinations marked Christmas Day in Shanghai.

Two supporters of Wang Ching-wei were shot near his residence in the western Extra-settlement area.

One, Shen Ming-chu, was killed on the spot. The other, Ho Hang-ken, was seriously hurt and is not expected to recover.

The assassins are believed to be anti-Japanese terrorists.

BRITAIN'S NEW MINE BARRAGE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 24 (UP).—The Admiralty has warned all shipping that formidable mine barrages have been laid on the east coast of Scotland and England, extending from a point north-west of Aberdeen southward to a point off the Thames estuary.

They announced three zones in which shipping will proceed at its own peril. These zones are apparently designed to repulse submarines and mine layers and to control shipping passing through the channel to the North Sea.

JAPANESE BLOCKADE ENTIRE CHINA COAST

TOKYO, Dec. 26 (Reuters).—The Japanese Navy is placing Chinese waters under four control zones, according to a communique issued by the Navy section of Imperial Headquarters.

Admiral Okawa is assuming the supreme command of the China area.

The communique adds that the entire Chinese coast, extending 2,850 miles, is now blockaded against enemy ships, while the Yangtze River, from the mouth to 800 miles up to Yochow, is fully under the control of the Japanese Navy.

A number of ports blocked to navigation include Wen-chow, Foochow and Swatow.

The islands occupied by the Japanese include Hainan and Swatow.

Prize of War Goes Through Panama

Former H.K. Naval Officer Seizes Steamer

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
PANAMA, Dec. 24 (UP).—It is revealed that Captain Alan Poland, who in 1933 was in command of H.M.S. Eedway in Hongkong, was responsible for the capture of the 4,930-ton N.D.L. liner Dusseldorf last week.

Captain Poland, who is now in command of H.M.S. Despatch, served for some time on the China Station before being transferred to H.M.S. Dolphin.

The Dusseldorf, accompanied by H.M.S. Despatch, is scheduled to arrive at Balboa tomorrow, being the first prize of war to pass through the Panama Canal.

The British warship captured the liner ten days ago off the Chilean coast, and the German crew are still aboard, working the ship.

Captain Poland prevented the German ship from being scuttled by sending the Nazi crew back to remove time bombs.

Bluejackets Patrol Decks
BALBOA, Panama, Dec. 25 (Reuters).—Large crowds of spectators lined the Canal to watch the transit of the captured German steamer Dusseldorf, which is the first prize ever to go through the Canal with a prize crew on board.

The vessel was flying the British naval ensign astern above the Swastika and the decks were patrolled by British blue-jackets with fixed bayonets.

Many onlookers cheered the British.

Special precautions were taken by the American authorities in view of the rumour that the Germans might attempt to run the ship aground in a narrow section of the Canal.

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Most of the bombs dropped in evacuated suburbs and there were only three casualties.

Viborg, Abo and Bjorneborg on the Gulf of Bothnia were heavily bombed.

German Losses Double Ours
LONDON, Dec. 25 (Reuters).—An Admiralty announcement states that British and neutral shipping losses during last week totalled 17,400 tons, of which ten British ships aggregated 7,000 tons.

The German losses during the same period include the 32,000 ship Columbus.

British Steamer Missing
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Dec. 24 (UP).—The Channel steamer Isle of Sark, en route from Jersey to Southampton, has been reported missing for two days.

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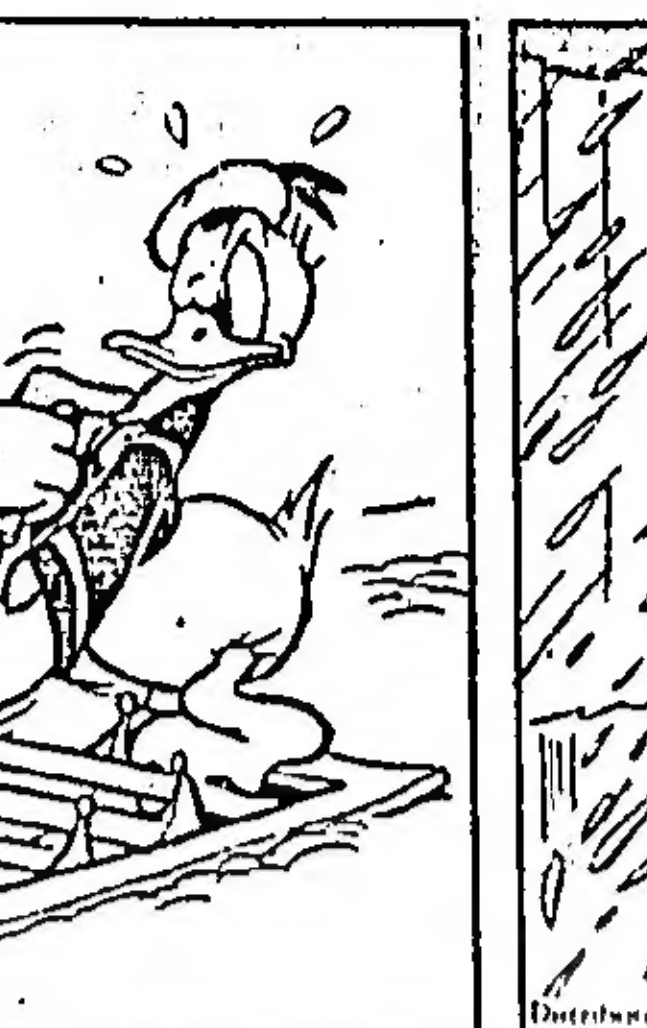
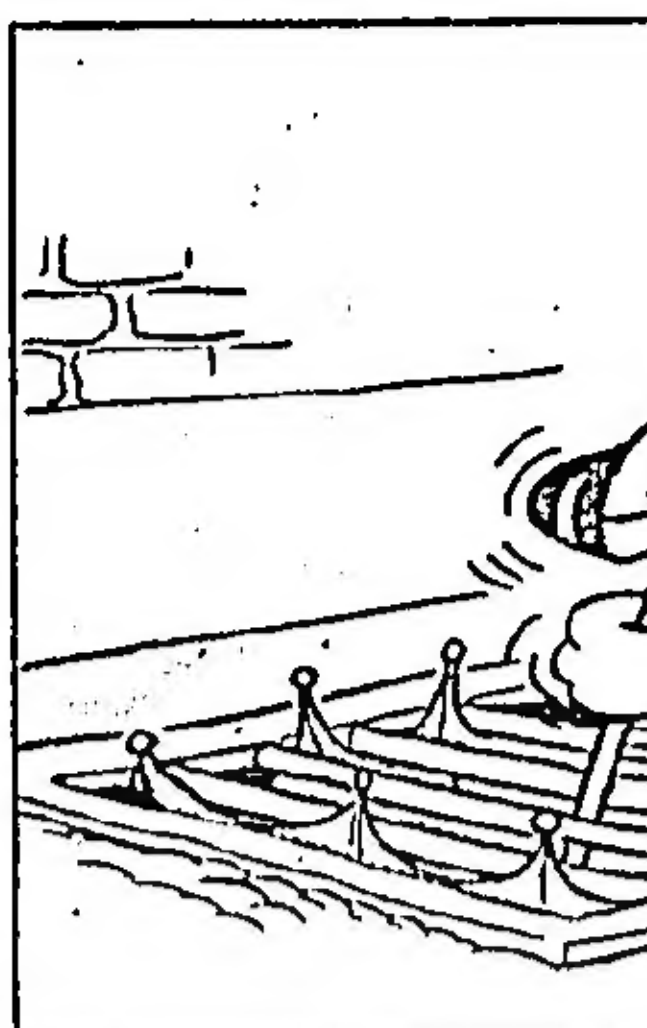
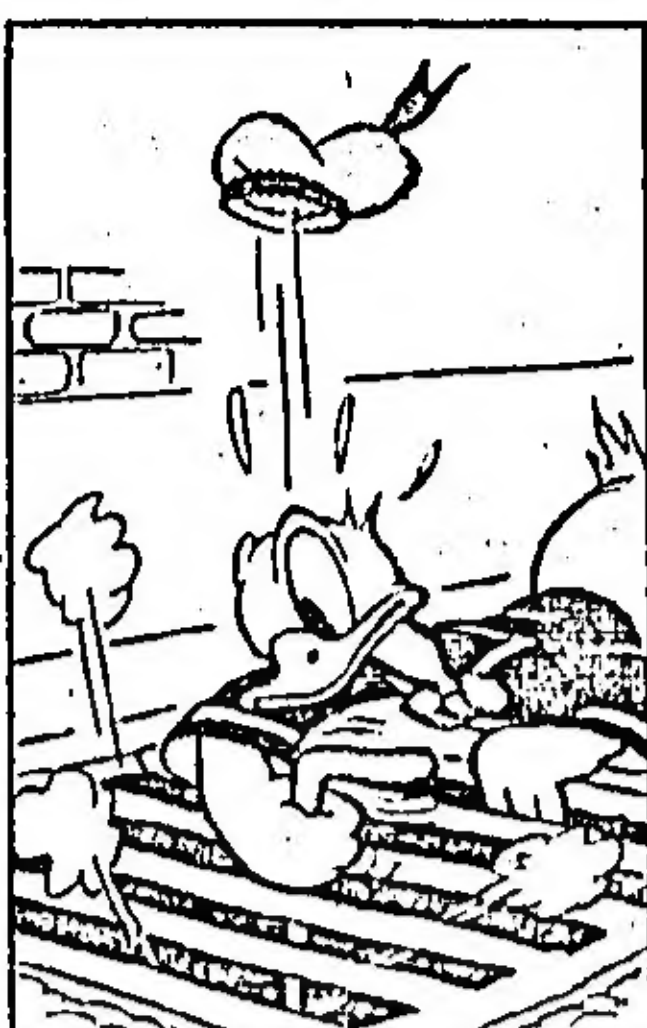
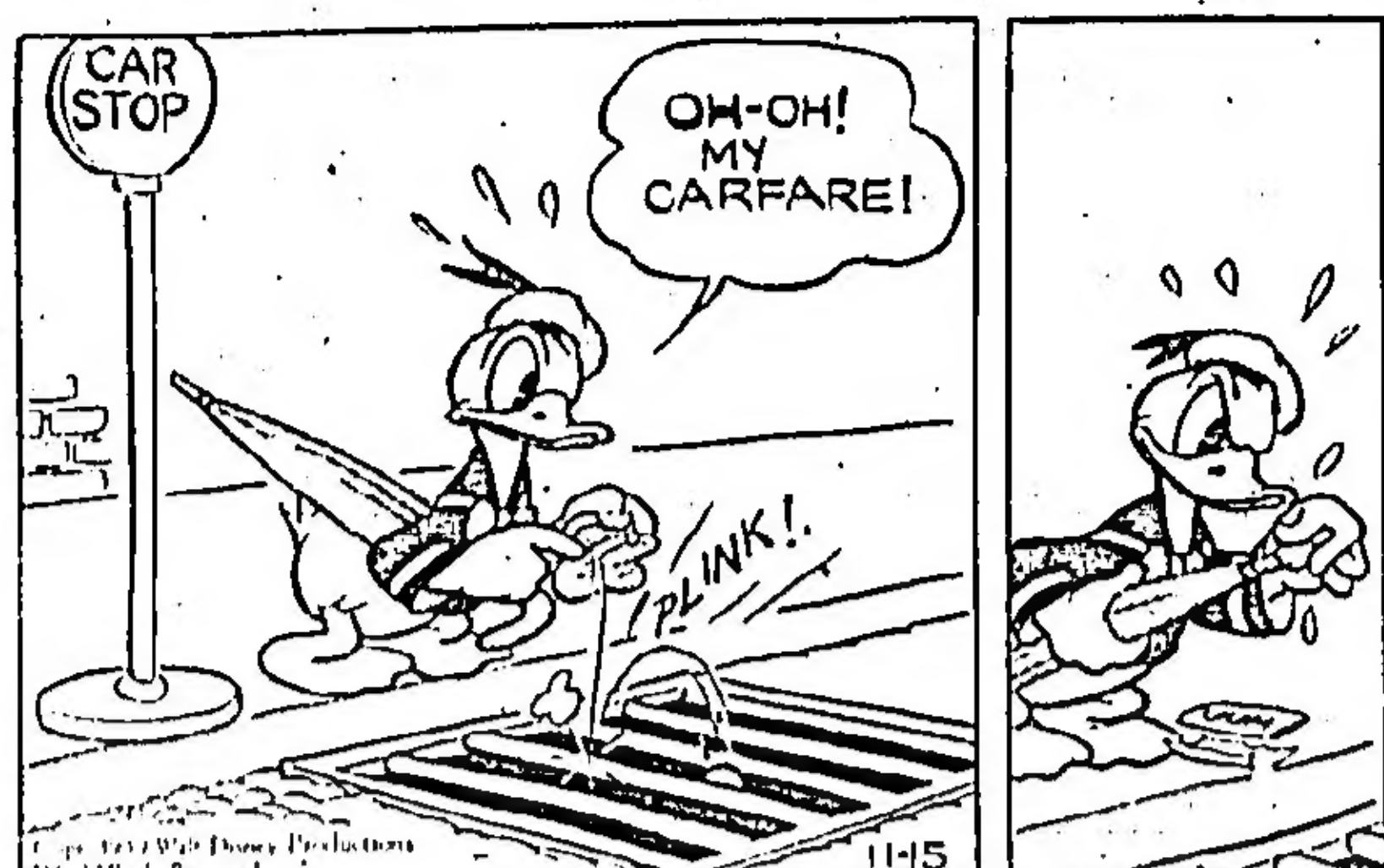
CONVICTS MUTINY ON CHRISTMAS DAY

LONDON, Dec. 25 (Reuters).—A five-hour mutiny occurred on Christmas Day in the Londonderry Gaol, where 60 men are interned as Republican suspects for the duration of the war.

The mutineers overpowered the warders and maintained a siege in part of the prison where they set fire to the bedding, smashed furniture, sang Republican songs and shouted slogans to crowds in the streets, some of whom prayed and repeated the Litany.

Police, with drawn revolvers, finally burst through doors which were previously burned by plumbers with acetylene torches, and the prisoners made a final stand in the cells, armed with bottles and boards, until they were eventually overpowered.

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COST OF THE WAR

Finance Committee To Consider Votes

Supplementary votes totalling \$44,161 will be applied for when the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council meets on Thursday.

Most of the items are in connection with the war. The two biggest are Public Works Recurrent and Water Works \$14,100, and Rent Allowances for Asiatic Subordinate Officers \$14,000. In the latter connection it is explained that owing to the increased rentals and to more officers being eligible for rent allowances, the provision made in the estimates has proved insufficient.

When a supplementary vote of \$500 was applied for it was explained that owing to the increased training carried out during the current year the amount provided under this sub-head for the payment of allowances to instructors from the Regular Army had proved insufficient. It is regretted that the \$500 will not be sufficient to cover the excess now estimated to be the end of the year.

Defence—Volunteer Defence Corps: Armoured Car and M.L.C. Section \$1,200. The provision made under this sub-head in the estimates and by a supplementary vote has proved insufficient owing to the abnormal number of adjustments and repairs to vehicles which have been necessary and is the difficulty, arising out of the increased number of exercises and camps held, accurately the general maintenance cost of the vehicles.

Fire Brigade—Personal Emoluments \$1,000.

Expenditure not provided for in the 1939 Estimates has become necessary in respect of the salaries of one Temporary Station Officer during the absence on leave of the Superintendent and of the additional French for Air Raid Precautions and also to meet the cost of the difference in salary and residential allowance due to the transfer of the holder of the Standard Oil Company. The Chinese crew of the junk numbered 10 Hongkong seamen.

Fire Brigade—Transport \$400. Owing to the continued necessity for the transfer of infectious disease and other hospital cases to and from Hongkong and Kowloon the amounts provided under this sub-head in the estimates and by a supplementary vote mentioned above have proved insufficient.

Legal Department: Personal Emoluments \$1,000. Expenditure under this sub-head has been greater than was anticipated owing to the fact that it has been necessary to engage extra temporary clerical staff to assist with work in connection with Trade Marks, Traffic Regulations and, since the outbreak of the war, Enemy Property and the Prize Court.

Miscellaneous Services: Language Study Allowances \$1,000. The provision made in the estimates under this sub-head has proved insufficient on account of the number of officers studying languages being larger than was anticipated.

Miscellaneous Services: Rent Allowances, Asiatic Subordinate Officers \$14,000. Owing to increased rentals and to more officers being eligible for rent allowances, the provision made in the estimates has proved insufficient.

Police Force: Ammunition \$3,128. The amount provided under this sub-head in the estimates has proved insufficient on account of the expenditure on ammunition being larger than was anticipated as a consequence of the building up of a reserve of Small Arms Ammunition for the Police Force in accordance with the instructions of the Secretary of State.

Police Force: Transport \$625. During the period immediately preceding and following the outbreak of the war considerable expenditure was incurred in the transportation of Police Officers and supplies to certain allied emergency stations. As a result of this

Cheng Ho's Sailing

Colony Built Craft Leaves To-day

On a voyage that will perhaps last nearly two years, the Hongkong-built luxury junk Cheng Ho is scheduled to set sail on the Dr. David Fairchild scientific expedition to the Netherlands Indies and ultimately to New York via the Cape, to-day from Ah King's slipway.

On the first leg of the voyage to Manila, the European members of the crew will include Messrs. T. F. Kilkeny (builder), T. Magruder (engineer), D. Hubrecht, a Java sugar planter, J. Fant, sailing master from Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., N. S. Torrey, an American air pilot and J. Peterson, the Australian, who was master of the junk Ping Jin on its ill-fated attempt to sail from here to New York. Mr. Peterson intends leaving the crew at Manila, where the famous American botanist Dr. David Fairchild and his wife will embark with Dr. Edwin Beckwith, a New York chemist, who will be in charge of the photographic and sound recording gear. Dr. Beckwith's father pioneered colour photography.

Dr. Fairchild is director of the Fairchild Tropical Garden, Coconut Grove, Florida, for which he is collecting specimens and data. He will also collect for the famous Dutch botanical gardens at Buitenzorg, Batavia.

Another American, who will join the junk at Manila after flying by Clipper from Hongkong is Mrs. Anne Archbold, one of the largest shareholders of the Standard Oil Company. The Chinese crew of the junk numbered 10 Hongkong seamen.

Russian Supplies For Germany

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Dec. 24 (UP)—It is officially announced that direct rail traffic of Russian exports to Germany through Poland has started, particularly in mineral oils and wheat via Brest Litovsk.

unforeseen expenditure the amount provided under this sub-head in the estimates has proved insufficient. Prisoners Department: Light \$500. The provision made under this sub-head in the 1939 Estimates has proved insufficient on account of the opening of the Remand Prison in the old Victoria Gaol.

Public Works Recurrent and Water Works: Water Works—Contribution to Renewals and Improvements Fund \$14,100. In order to keep Water Works finances distinct from general revenue it is proposed, with the approval of the Secretary of State, to credit to the Water Works Renewals and Improvements Fund the proceeds of the sale of any machinery, scrap, etc., recovered from assets which have been temporarily credited to general revenue. In order to effect the formal appropriation of this sum to the Water Works Renewals and Improvements Fund a supplementary vote of \$14,100 under the above sub-head is requested.

GERMANY TO-DAY—BY A GERMAN

Allies' Cash And Ships Are Killing Her Economically

"UNLESS we force the Balkans to fight an economic war on our side we shall be strangled by the blockade," declared a representative of Germany's gigantic chemical industries at Zurich. He was on his way to the Balkans.

"An invisible blockade is far more devastating than naval warfare aimed at chasing German battleships and submarines off the seas. Particularly is this so since England and France pooled their buying."

"In the Balkans the Allies are not fighting with lead and steel, but with gold and silver."

"Wherever foodstuffs and raw materials are ready for sale a representative of some well-known British or French firm, in reality acting for his Government, appears, ready to pay spot cash—sterling or dollars—for timber, ores, grain, hides, textiles, fibres, or anything vitally necessary to Germany."

"When the deal is closed, the buyer, who as a rule does not really need the goods, has them warehoused, under the pretext that he is unable at the moment to obtain transport to England."

Necessities
"Germany has the chagrin of seeing how these vital necessities are withheld from her. These deals are all the more alluring to the Balkans because they are quick, simple and straightforward and yield sterling, with which raw cotton can be bought from the United States. At present the dearth of cotton is proving an acute impediment to the Balkan textile industries."

"England arranges to convey the ships carrying the cargoes, which Germany cannot do."

"The Allies never buy fruit or other perishable commodities."

"Only one Allied buyer appears at one place. If the seller hesitates, the buyer disappears and the seller then has no option but to accept a complicated German barter deal."

Broken Down

Asked how Germany financed her foreign trade under blockade conditions, the German industrialist admitted that the blocked-mark method, invented by Dr. Schacht, which was used successfully during the Hitler regime, had now broken down.

"Germany must now pay for imports with actual goods. To obtain bank credits or loans from neutral countries is out of the question. Germany is already heavily in debt to these nations, and particularly to Switzerland, where about £100,000,000 is involved."

"As regards iron ore, Germany's need is so great that a decree, just issued, provides for the demolition of all gas and electric light lamp-posts, enamel advertising signs and nameplates, showcases, and even iron doors and window shutters."

ANTI-T.B. CAMPAIGN

To be Formally Launched On December 28

The Hongkong Medical Department's anti-tuberculosis campaign, which has been planned with great care for some months past, will be launched on December 28.

In the early stages the drive will primarily be of an educational nature. The first act will be broadcasts from Z.B.W. and Z.E.K. in English and Chinese languages. Dr. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, will speak in English and Mr. Ho Kom-long will give the Chinese version.

The broadcasts will include statistics of the T.B. scourge in the Colony and general instructions on sanitation and hygiene. Similar broadcasts will be given on the evenings of the first and second Thursdays in January.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 New Mayfair Dance Orchestra. Honey Coloured Moon, Music With Thine Eyes, Roses Of Picardy, I Can Give You The Starlight, Sorrento By The Sea, When You're Only Seventeen.

12.50 Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone). Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes, Roses Of Picardy, The Menin Gate.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Lucienne Boyer (Vocal) with the Orchestra Mascotte. You Will Never Know, Amphitryon, Orchestra Mascotte. Ne Dis Pas Toujours (Lenoir), Lucienne Boyer. My Life Is Filled With Love and Longing, Walk Right In, Orchestra Mascotte. Dancing With My Darling, This Is The Kiss Of Romance, Lucienne Boyer. Roses Of The South, Enjoy Life, Orchestra Mascotte.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Dance Music. Wishing, If I Didn't Care, Ambrose and His Orchestra. Speedboat Bill, The Haunted House, New Mayfair Dance Orchestra. Sing, My Heart, The Gentleman Awaits, Will Osborne and His Orchestra. Nothing But Liza, Red Fingers, Emil Roos. Hot Time in the Old Town To-night, Turkey in the Straw, Freddie Fisher and His Band.

2.15 Close down.

6.0 An Instrumental Concert with The Walter String Players and Lionel Tavis (Viola). Gavotte in E (for strings), (Bach-arr J. H. Wood) Minuet (Boccherini). The Walter String Players, Prelude (d'Hervelois), Menuet; La Neapolitaine (d'Hervelois), Sylvia Grummer (Viola da gamba), Variations Sur Malborough (arr. Cecil Schenck), La Cyprie (Saint-Saens), Marcel Mule (Saxophone), Venetian Gondola Song No. 1, Duo (from 'Songs without words' Mendelssohn) Lionel Tavis (Viola) with Orch. Down In The Forest (Sir Landon Ronald). At Dawning (Cadmam) Howard Jacobs (Saxophone).

6.32 Folk Music. Scandinavian Dances, Folk Dance Orchestra.

6.45 Compositions of Schubert. Moment Musical In F Minor, Impromptu in E Flat, Op. 142, No. 5, Wilhelm Backhaus. Laughing Liza, (Op. 58, No. 4), My Love Is Green (Op. 65). The Trout (Op. 32), Kirsten Flarstad (Soprano), Symphony No. 8 In B Minor ("Unfinished"), Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. Impromptu in E Flat Major, Op. 90, No. 2, Andante in A, Eileen Joyce (Piano), Serenade, De Groot (Violin), Gibrilero (Piano), and Sametini (Cello).

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 An hour of Dance Music and Variety—Our Love, You Grow Sweeter As The Years Go By, Jack Hylton and His Orchestra. All Because Of You, Let's Go Sallyho, Brownie and Star with Piano, Tendre Bolero, Leona Cuban Boys, Me and The Old Folks at Home, Jump On The Wagon (Connor), The Hill Billies. I Dream Of The Puszta, Do You See The Stars? Emil Roos and His Orchestra. At The Court Of Good Queen Bess, Darts, With Gert And Daisy, Elsie and Doris Waters, Tin Pan Alley, Medley No. 18, Ivor Moreton and Dave Kaye. Kiss Me Goodnight, A Little Dash Of Dublin, Anna Neagle. There's Something Wrong With The Weather, You Grow Sweeter As The Years Go By, The Organ, The Dance Band and Me.

9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

9.45 Glee—Peer Gyn Suite No. 1 Op. 46 London Philharmonic Orchestra.

10.0 Songs by John McCormack (Tenor). O Gathering Clouds, (arr. Dain) Love's Secret, Ever In My Mind.

10.10 De Groot and His Orchestra. Erates. Waltzer—Polpourri (Robrecht) Other Days (Selection of Popular Melodies arr. Fink).

10.25 Dance Music. Tears On My Pillow, My First Goodnight, Harry Lender. Easy Street, Fall In And Fly, Billy Cotton and His Band, The Blackpool Walk, The Girl In The Upstairs Flat, Felix Mendelssohn, Could Be, Hurry Home, Mantovani, Moon Of Monte Carlo, Rumba Colora, Leona Cuban Boys, Let's Stop The Clock, Gerardo and His Orchestra.

11.0 Close down.

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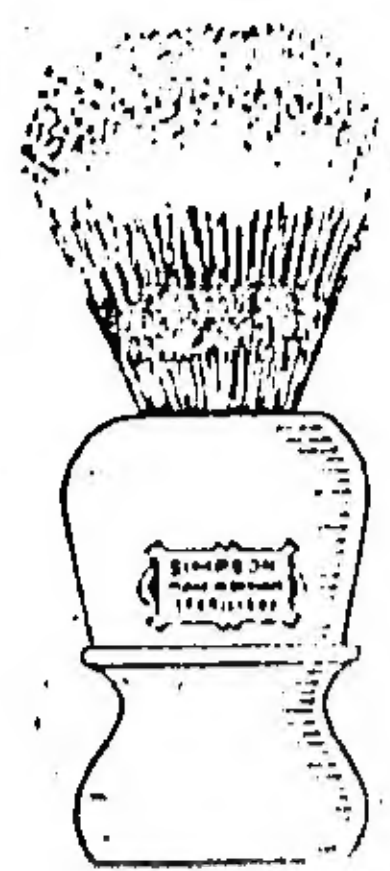
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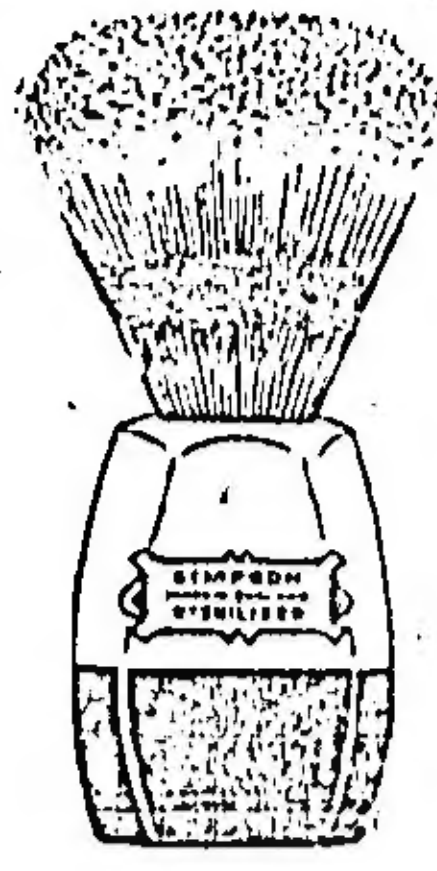
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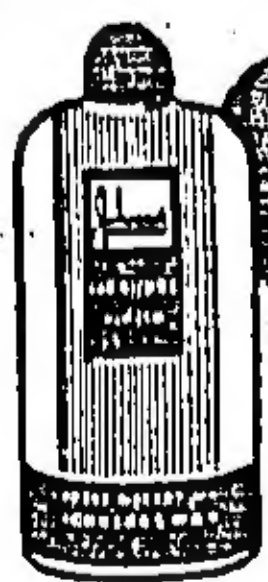
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DEATH

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The
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Tuesday, December 26, 1939.

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Crippled Wings

The story that one of the R.A.F. machines flew back from Germany to England with no wing and half the fabric gone from the starboard wing must strike even the layman as remarkable.

Yet it is certain that something of the sort happened, that the damage occurred over Germany, and that the machine succeeded in getting back to England.

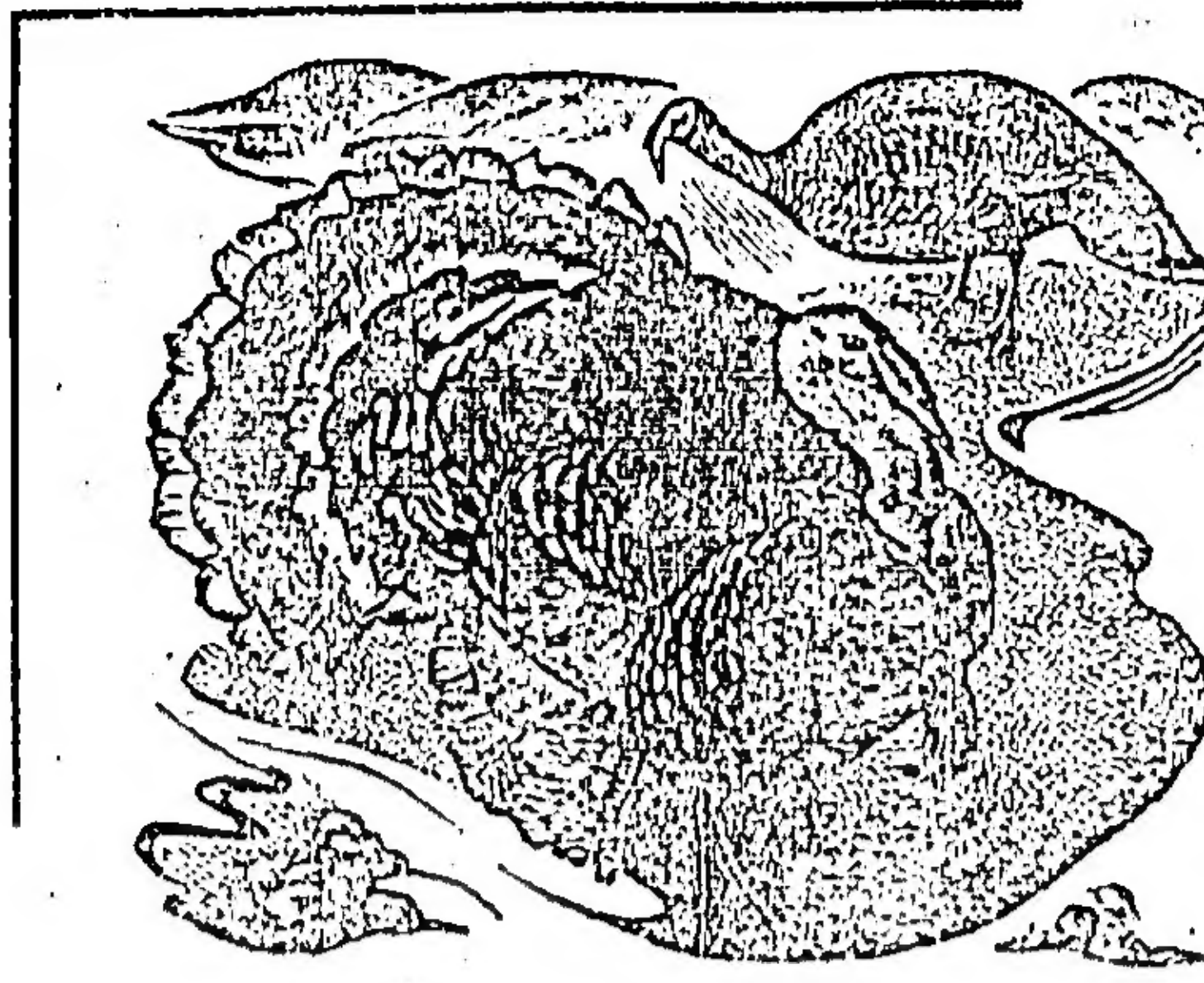
It was not very far above the waves when it reached home, and we may presume that the crew threw overboard everything possible to lessen the load, doubtless kept the rubber dinghy as their most precious possession. We may presume, too, that the ailerons remained more or less intact.

It is hoped that a photograph of the machine will be available before long and then experts will be able to pronounce on what happened.

Even the layman can understand that an uncovered framework of a wing will not support an aeroplane in the air; it is the covering which does that. Moreover, the greater part of the "lift" is derived from the flow of the air over the upper surface of the wing, and nowadays designers do not provide a greater wing area than is necessary to support the weight of the machine and its load. Unnecessarily large wings reduce the speed, and modern practice is to load the wings very much more heavily than was thought wise a few years ago.

The aeroplanes of Henry Farman and the other pioneers would probably have flown with a good deal of their wings shot away. But for a modern machine to do so seems something rather like a miracle—one of the many technical surprises that war brings.

Their Day Yesterday



TURKEY

NO connection with Turkey in Asia, though so-named from the mistaken idea that they had, turkeys are really natives of America, where they were first domesticated by the Aztecs of Mexico and the Incas of Peru.

Introduced into Europe about 1530 by the Spaniards, domesticated turkeys were taken to North America by European settlers, though native wild birds were already there—an early example of carrying coals to Newcastle. Since the War of Independence roast turkey has been the *bonne bouche* of National Thanksgiving Day—the last Thursday in November in the United States; and in England, of course, no Christmas dinner-table is complete without it.

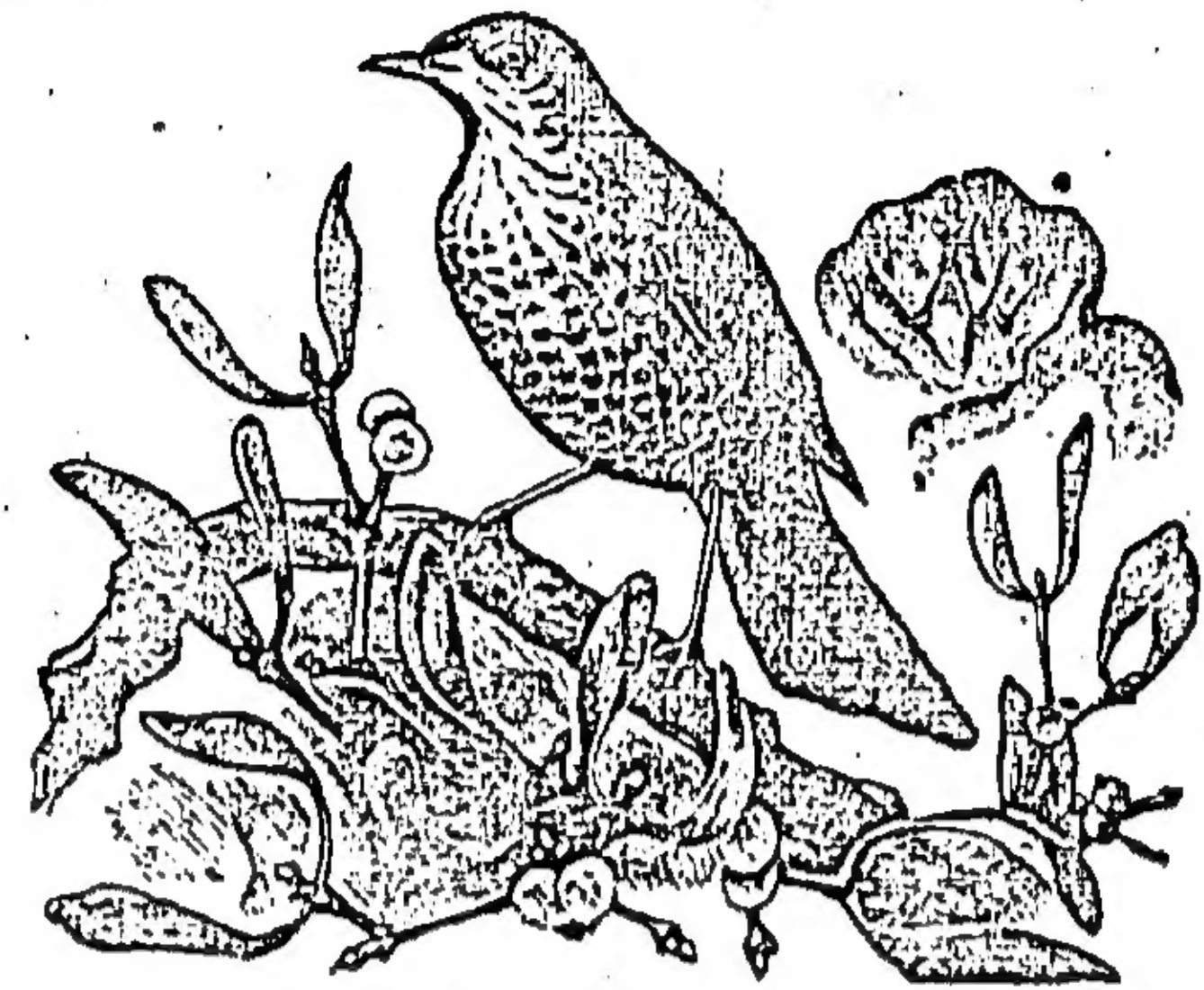
White turkeys, for some obscure reason, are called Austrian Whites in Europe and White Hollands in America.

MISTLETOE is a mystic plant, connected with many ancient rites, whence custom of kissing under it.

Prized by old herbalists as "good for the grief of the sinew, itch, sores and toothache, the biting of mad dogs and venomous beasts," but grown to-day mainly by enterprising farmers with a view to the Christmas market.

Is a parasite, growing chiefly on apple and poplar trees, but not—despite pictures of Druids with golden sickles in the history books—on oaks in this country.

Gives its name to the Mistle-Thrush or Stormcock, which often feeds on its berries, and wipes the glutinous seeds off its bill on to the bark of trees, where they take root.



MISTLETOE

Wood engravings by Agnes Miller Parker

Sunstroke On Christmas Day

—By Moore Raymond—

How did people in other parts of the world spend Christmas Day?

It is midsummer in Australia now, and Christmas Day among the settlers on the arid central plains was a day of scorching heat.

In this article Moore Raymond describes a Christmas he spent some years ago on a lonely sheep station many hundreds of miles from the coast.

I WOKE up sweating, with pritt in my teeth. The hot, dusty wind had blown from the desert all night, sifting fine sand over my half-naked body.

Pulling on my socks and elastic-sided riding boots, I clumped round to the tank for a wash. The water was warm but refreshing as I poured a bucketful over my head. It ran down to my boots, but I did not care because I knew it would soon dry off.

I went back to the huts and, annoyed because Christmas Day came into my week for getting the horses, I shouted "Merry Christmas!" loudly and persistently.

The others stirred in their bunks, grumbling and cursing. Somebody threw a boot.

Ten minutes later I was jingling the bridle in my hand as I walked down to the night paddock.

A flock of long grey brolghas flew over, making noises like creaky hinges. While cockatoos screamed from a nearby coolah tree, and already the scavenging crows were squabbling over a dead sheep down by the dam.

A tight girth—down with the slip-rails—and I rode out into the horse paddock with the bridle loose while I rolled a cigarette. The smoke bit harshly into my lungs, mitigating my hunger.

Luckily, the horses were not far away, and I brought the mob into the yard at a gallop.

Six of us sat down to breakfast at sunrise. There was the boss, the

owner of the 20,000 acres and the mas pudding. And some nuts and a bottle of whiskey. His wife, spent about 30, poured out the tea.

She was the only woman within 40 miles of the homestead, and she hated the loneliness and heat and hardship.

There was John, a jackaroo like myself. His father had sent him up from Sydney to learn the sheep business so that he could take over a station of his own some day.

Tom, the middle-aged station hand, was hunched over his plate at the bottom of the table.

The fifth was Harry, younger brother of the boss's wife. He had come from Brisbane to spend Christmas with us. He had never been west before, and he thought it was just a lot of fun.

"Don't be late for Christmas dinner," said the boss's wife. "There's the plain turkey John shot yesterday, and some Christmas pudding—out of a tin, I admit, but it's still Christ-

mas pudding. And some nuts and a bottle of whiskey. It looked at the thermometer. It registered 90, and I knew it would be 105 before the day was out.

The four of us rode out on to the plain with the sun in our faces. Somewhere, miles ahead, were mud-trapped sheep to be rescued and thousands of others to be brought to the safety of the water troughs.

We had seen no rain for nine months and the country was sick with drought.

Though there was plenty of water for the sheep in the homestead the troughs were fed by the dam, most of the mob preferred to stay out by the big waterholes where grass was plentiful.

But now those holes were drying up, and many weak animals were

bogged in the mud every day. We had to rescue them.

We pulled six sheep out of the first hole, set them on their feet, and sent them scuttling homewards. Then on to the next—and the next—sweating, cursing, coked with mud—pushing on towards the boundary hills.

Harry's new hat made his head ache. It was very cowboyish, quite unlike our battered felt, and it was too small for him. So he took it off. We warned him, but he said he did not mind the sun as he was used to going without a hat.

It was nearly 11 o'clock when the boss called for smoke-oh.

Half an hour's rest—then back to the sheep. It took longer than we expected, and it was getting on for three by the time we got them all clear.

When we reached the homestead, we found the boss's wife in tears. She had cooked everything ready for one o'clock, and now all was spoiled. At least, that is what she said. But the five hungry men proved how wrong she was, and soon had her smiling again.

When evening came, and the sheep began to drift in to the troughs in little mobs, Harry started to shiver. Of course, he had sunstroke.

He was much better in a couple of hours, and he sat with us on the verandah and joined in the choruses, including "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks."

Then sleep—with the wind from the desert still sifting the dust over my face.

IF YOU SAW A GHOST

AS the centuries pass we should become more enlightened, but tampering with the unknown still holds its fascination. People still have their fortunes read, still have their horoscopes cast, still try to convince each other of the fore-knowledge of death, and still pathetically try to commune with those who are dead.

What would their reaction be if they did actually see a ghost? You meet people who know somebody who did see a ghost, but you seldom meet a person who himself or herself has seen one. Even when you do meet such a person, the mind still refuses to accept the whole truth of the story. I am certain that the average person will not believe either in ghosts that appear before death or in ghosts that appear after death until they see one with their own eyes.

And what do you think they would do then? Have you ever asked yourself this question?

All types of literature have told us what the customary reactions are. In stories in magazines the characters generally act in the same way. A sudden blast of cold air, suggestive I suppose of the cold of the tomb, rouses the sleeper from his dreams and a nondescribable awe descends upon him. His flesh prickles, his hair rises on his scalp, paralysed he gazes at the apparition, and then with a wild scream he flies from the room, or collapses on the floor in a fit.

The attitude of Shakespeare's characters to his ghosts has always been one to amaze me. In "Hamlet," although the watchers on the parapet see stalking there the figure of the king they know to be dead, they actually speak to it, and Hamlet himself, although his fear is evident in his first words, "Angels and ministers of grace defend us," goes further than that—he follows it. Would you do that?

Brutus, too, when he sees in the deep of midnight the ghost of the Caesar he helped to murder, holds conversation with the apparition. The terror of Macbeth, when the blood-stained ghost of Banquo usurps his seat, is more convincing. Anaxel that others could see that, in whose

eyes there was no speculation, he asks how they

"can behold such sights And keep the natural ruby of your cheeks."

When mine are blanched with fear."

Highland people are notoriously superstitious, and even to-day most of them believe in ghosts. Lowlanders are more sceptical.

Here are two stories I have been told by my own relatives, Highlanders, and they vouch for their truth.

My father was in the South of England on business. My mother woke up suddenly one night, and she saw him standing as if in a blaze of light with his hands thrown above his head. His face was contorted with fright, and she heard him shout her name. She told us next morning that she hoped that nothing had happened to him. That night we heard that he had been nearly killed when he fell down a servant's stair the door of which had been accidentally left unlocked.

The other my aunt swears to. She had been on business. My mother was attending to an old paralysed man. One night she woke up to find him, as she says, bending over her. The next day she heard that he had died that night.

The Lowland part of me refuses to

accept these figures as ghosts, but it does have to admit that there is such a thing as telepathy. I am convinced that in dreams, for both of the narrators seem to be vague as to how they actually felt when they saw the figures. When pressed they described the fear that they had when they lay awake afterwards, but the dream—the result of telepathy—really awakened them, I think.

In stories of this kind the figures seen generally have the form they have in real life. We don't usually read of sheeted ghosts appearing before death.

But what would you do if, in the middle of the night or even in your armchair, you suddenly saw enter the room the figure of a person you knew to be dead, and clad in the orthodox sheet?

The most horrible ghost story I have ever read was one called "The Upper Berth." In it the porthole of the cabin would suddenly open, and the smell of something long since dead saturated with sea water would enter.

What would you do in the presence of a shapeless terror like this? Would you or could you speak or fight. Or would you do what I am sure I would do, probably die of sheer terror?

I think the last is more probable, and in my opinion, that is why you never meet a person who has seen the ghost of the dead—he would not survive to tell the tale.

R. R.

These Men Delivered Christmas Messages To The World

THE POPE who said "Atrocities and unlawful means of destruction... are acts which call for Divine vengeance."

POPE'S POINTED ADDRESS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 24 (UP).—His Holiness the Pope today addressed the College of Cardinals in a Christmas message, saying: "It is necessary to set forth the fundamental points which are necessary for peace, and on which any government would be willing to negotiate; but peace must be honorable to both big and small nations."

He said that the armaments and military questions must be solved. He described Mr. Myron C. Taylor, President Roosevelt's personal representative as the "first Ambassador to the provisional United States Embassy in the Holy See."

Flays Aggressors

LONDON, Dec. 24 (Reuter).—"Atrocities and unlawful use of means of destruction even against non-combatants and evacuees, against women, old people and children, against liberty and human life, are acts which call for Divine vengeance," declared His Holiness the Pope in a Christmas message to the College of Cardinals today.

"We have had to witness a series of acts which are incompatible with international law and humanity," declared His Holiness. "These acts have led to the juridical order has been destroyed by totalitarian considerations. This category includes premeditated aggression against small, liberated and pacific nations on the pretence of a menace which never existed, and was not even possible."

MORE U.S. AID FOR FINNS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (UP).—Mr. Herbert Hoover has announced that he has sent another \$100,000 remittance to Finland for food and clothing.

HEINRICH HESS, Hitler's Deputy, who declared: "The more we Germans surround the Fuehrer with our love, the greater is the hatred of others towards us."

HITLER SPENDS XMAS ON WESTERN FRONT

BERLIN, Dec. 24 (Reuter).—The official German news agency reports that Herr Hitler is spending Christmas at the Western Front.

Yesterday he visited the Gross Deutschland Regiment and a reconnaissance squadron at a field base.

Today he visited an anti-aircraft battery and inspected many pill-boxes.

He spent the evening at various points near Saarbruecken.

Hess Revels In A Diatribe

And End Speech With A Prayer

BERLIN, Dec. 24 (Reuter).—In the course of a Christmas message broadcast aboard a German destroyer to Germans throughout the world, Herr Hess, Hitler's deputy, referred to the love of the German nation for the Fuehrer, whom he described as the "first soldier of Germany."

The message was broadcast from the destroyer "Graf Spee" in the North Sea. Hess, who is currently in the custody of the British, ended his diatribe with a prayer for the success of the German war effort.

"Will For Victory"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Dec. 24 (UP).—Deputy Fuehrer Rudolf Hess, in a radio broadcast from a German warship today reiterated the German "will for victory."

"Our people are united in the war against the West," he declared. "We are united in a prayer: Oh God, Lord, you have given your people benediction."

Royal Family At Divine Service

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SANDRINGHAM, Dec. 24 (UP).—His Majesty the King today received the American protest against the violation of the Panama Declaration's "Safety Zones."

Earlier King George, wearing the uniform of a Field Marshal, accompanied by Queen Elizabeth and the Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret, attended divine services in the Royal Chapel at Sandringham.

I.R.A. Steal Army Equipment

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

DUBLIN, Dec. 24 (UP).—Members of the Irish Republican Army today raided the Eire Army's magazine at Fort Phoenix Park, overpowered the sentries and escaped with large quantities of arms, ammunition and equipment.

M. DALADIER, the French Premier, who said: "We will not take the initiative in inflicting new sufferings to those which already prevail."

TO RETURN BLOW FOR BLOW

France Will Not Forget

—DALADIER

PARIS, Dec. 24 (Reuter).—"We shall not take the initiative in inflicting new sufferings to those which already prevail," declared M. Edouard Daladier, the French Prime Minister, in a Christmas broadcast to the French nation.

"We shall return each blow. For more than 100 years Germany had fought wars on other people's territory. This time we shall keep an exact account of all her crimes."

"We are fighting, not against other peoples, but against war itself."

"Made Up Our Minds"

M. Daladier reminded his listeners of the victims of aggression. "May all the peoples understand that they cannot prevent aggression by trembling before the aggressor, but by putting up a barrage of courage and determination," declared M. Daladier.

"We Frenchmen have already made up our minds. We are determined to fight this dreadful tyranny to the end."

"We are fighting for the future of France, and the future of the entire world, and all the more we are determined, since we know we are stronger and more determined."

Concluding, M. Daladier addressed the French fighting forces with the words: "I have not forgotten it. You are united in your great task. I want to assure each of you that I understand you are for my part, I also am doing my duty while you defend our country. We will make it secure."

Germany Must Pay

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Dec. 24 (UP).—M. Daladier, in a speech today, asserted the present war is the worst calamity Europe has seen for over a century. He said the small handful of men who were responsible must be crushed.

"Germany, for a century, has carried war into neighbouring countries. This time she must pay for each sacrifice," the Minister declared.

Japanese Raid Shaochow

Lungchow Taken By Chinese, Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Dec. 24 (UP).—Japanese reports say that at dawn yesterday, Japanese planes bombed Shaochow on the south section of the Canton-Hankow Railway, as well as Sam-huachien, 15 miles east of Yungyun, Kwangtung.

The report said there was heavy anti-aircraft action; however, all planes returned to their bases.

Socoony Office Damage

CHUNGKING, Dec. 24 (UP).—The Standard Oil Company has sent a message to the American Embassy saying that five Japanese planes dropped several bombs near their Shao office last Wednesday, smashing doors and windows. The full extent of the damage was not mentioned.

Lungchow Said Recaptured

CHUNGKING, Dec. 24 (UP).—While official confirmation is still lacking, it is reported that the Chinese have recaptured Lungchow, about 120 miles southwest of Nan-ning.

Very Quiet Christmas

PARIS, Dec. 25 (Reuter).—Military observers state that the last 24 hours on the Western Front were extremely quiet.

The Germans attempted several raids but they lacked punch and were easily repulsed.

There were no important aerial engagements but the French made 25 successful reconnaissance flights.

Nothing To Report

PARIS, Dec. 25 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued today states that there is nothing to report.

GEN. VON BRAUCHITSCH, the Nazi C-in-C. who declared: "The British and French war aims are to destroy, dismember and annihilate the German nation and culture."

Nazi Chief On Allies War Aims

To Annihilate The German Nation

LONDON, Dec. 24 (Reuter).—Addressing German Soldiers in the Stergried Line, General von Brauchitsch also asserted that the British and French aims were to destroy, dismember and annihilate the German nation and culture.

He said that German troops were specially trained today in thinking of the Fuehrer. He was also speaking that evening at the front about his soldiers and they reacted with the supreme commandment, the first soldier, and the creator of Greater Germany.

Hitler Distributes Gifts

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Dec. 24 (UP).—The Army Commander, Colonel General Walter von Brauchitsch, speaking in a radio broadcast from a pill box with the fourth company at the front near Suerbruecken announced that Hitler went to the front after distributing presents to the anti-aircraft units on Spichern Heights.

The Army Commander said, "Only when victory is won may we speak of peace."

POPE'S VISIT TO QUIRINAL

Rome, Dec. 22.

The Pope will on December 28 proceed to the Quirinal to return yesterday's visit of the King and Queen to the Vatican. The official announcement of the Pope's visit to the King and Queen on December 28 is displayed over four to five columns of the evening papers, which describe it as an historic event and point of culture in the first time since 1870 that the Pope has crossed Rome and visited the reigning sovereign of Italy.—Reuter.

American Ambassador

Washington, Dec. 23.

President Roosevelt announced the appointment of Mr. Myron C. Taylor as his personal Ambassador to the Vatican to work with the Catholic Church "in parallel endeavours for peace," however, this does not constitute a resumption of diplomatic relations with the Vatican. It is part of the President's new programme to unite men of all faiths in efforts to restore peace, and aid in the suffering wherein the President sent almost identical letters to the Pope, Dr. George A. Butlerick, President of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America; Rabbi Cyrus Adler, President of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, from whom he sought co-operation in co-ordinating the efforts of religious faiths as his broad objective in his letter to His Holiness the Pope, the President stressed the worldwide Christmas sorrow while "civilization to-day passes through the travails of war." He said a hopeful factor consists of the fact that we are making and experiencing a rebirth of the revival of culture and religion from the previous crises, notably the Dark Ages "when flame and sword of Barbarians swept over western civilization."

I believe the travel to-day is a new sign of these old conflicts. In those present moments no spiritual leader or no civil leader can move forward on specific plans to terminate the destruction and build anew. Yet, the time for that will surely come. Hence, I am sending you my personal representative in order to parallel our endeavours for peace and that the alleviation of suffering may be assisted.—United Press.

Christmas Eve In Finland

Heavy Fighting Persists

Soviet Air Force Is Active

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 24 (UP).—It has been officially announced that the towns of Kotka, Viipuri and Tammerlahti were today bombed by Russian planes, which machine gunned civilians without heavy casualties.

The official announcement says it is known that 14 Russian planes were shot down and it is possible that four or five others were also destroyed while the Finns lost two planes in dogfights.

The temperature has dropped to 25 degrees below zero which is a tremendous advantage to the Finns. Numerous deaths have been reported among Russians suffering from minor wounds and who have been frozen to death because they were unable to walk back to their own lines.

Kronstadt On Fire

Norman Deuel, "United Press" War Correspondent talked with an officer who returned today from a certain coastal battery.

He asserted that in the first days of the war, the Finns bombarded Kronstadt which was set afire and burned for four days.

Finns Still Advancing

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 24 (Reuter).—A communiqué says that on the Karlian Isthmus front, Finnish troops, after carrying out several patrol operations, extended the front and returned to their positions.

At Asalaajärvi the advance continues. Enemy air activities were very great as a result of the fine weather, particularly in the Karelia area.

The Finnish air force were engaged in driving off enemy planes throughout the day.

In numerous air raids, the Finns brought down 14 Russian aircraft, the loss of which has been confirmed. Principally the lost were bombers.

The Finns are also believed to have brought down four or five machines which have not yet been found.

The Finns lost two machines.

Generals Confer

CHIANG KAI-SHEK Calls Important Meeting

Shanghai, Dec. 23.

An important military conference was summoned a few days ago by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek at Singyang, in Hunan, to discuss the general counter offensive measures during the winter months, according to reliable sources in Chungking, states the Sin War Pao.

Among those who attended the conference were General Hsieh Yo, Chairman of the Hunan Provincial Government and General Li Tsung-jen, Commander-in-Chief of the Hunan-Hupeh forces.

Following the conference Marshal Chiang made a tour of inspection to the Chinese fronts. He later expressed satisfaction at the preparedness of the Chinese forces, the report states.—Reuter.

Japanese Make Claims

Hankow, Dec. 23.

The so-called Chinese "Winter Offensive" has been repulsed with heavy losses both south and north of the Yangtze River.

South of Nanchang Japanese troops defeated Chinese troops near Shinkuling, south of Fengsin, on Thursday.

South of Tungcheng on the Hupeh-Hunan border, Japanese defeated a force of Chinese troops belonging to the 14th Division of the Szechuan Army on Thursday. The Chinese abandoned 158 dead, while 21 prisoners were taken.

In the Han River area, four Japanese Army units at the crossings and the Chinese who crossed the river are subject to "annihilating attacks" near Tapanwan.—Domei.

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TROOPS REMAIN QUIET BUT NO FRATERNISING ALLOWED

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WITH THE ALLIED FORCES IN THE FIELD, Dec. 24 (UP).—Small units of the Allied forces remain in their advanced posts, men sitting inside the gun turrets on the Maginot Line as the main forces billeted in small villages between the North Sea and Switzerland celebrate the first Christmas of this war.

The fraternising which occurred in 1914's No Man's Land is not being repeated, both the British and French troops being under orders to abstain from communicating with the enemy and to keep at a respectful distance from their machine guns.

Artistic talent has been mobilised and music hall concerts are being given in decorated barns and restaurants where the wine is flowing freely.

Front Is Silent

The front is completely silent with the three armies being immured in blockhouses and villages. The entire north of France is shrouded in a heavy fog which has halted aerial activities. Three million packages of goods

have been transported to the Front during the past week, augmented by trucks and trainloads of gifts of candles and clothing from various relief organisations. For the first time, to-day's official communiqué from Paris, London and Berlin agreed that there was nothing to report.

General Gamelin's order of the day said: "With the approach of the New Year I am commanded to address to the entire army France's most affectionate wishes."

His message concluded by saying: "The grandeur of our cause is the assurance of our victory."

Quiet Christmas Eve

PARIS, Dec. 24 (Reuter).—According to an official communiqué, the Western Front "spent a quiet day as a whole."

J. GOSANO'S Indians Beat Kowloon In High Scoring Game At Sookunpoo

(By "R. Abbit")

CRICKET was to a certain extent disorganised by the near approach of Christmas. The awkwardness of having Christmas Eve on a Sunday and the day before a Saturday had not occurred to me until pretty late in the week, and I expect a good many other people were in the same boat.

After a belated sandwich tiffin about 2.15 p.m. I managed to see a little of both the H.K.C.C. matches.

At Recreio the match did not begin until 2.26 p.m. (hence my preceding remarks) and only a collapse on one side or the other could have brought about a definite decision.

The Gosano brothers Luigi and Jerry gave them a very good start and the latter, who is the youngest of the six (but only five play cricket) I believe hit up a very fine 87 not out. If he sticks to it, and does not get too sure of himself he should have before him a successful career in local cricket for many years. The rest of the side went for runs quickly and no one did much. They declared at 155 for seven wickets—a bit late perhaps but it must be remembered that Eddy Gosano was not playing. He, to my mind, is the spear-head of the Recreio attack, not necessarily because he takes so many wickets for so few runs but because he is such an excellent contrast to Orazio, L. G. Gosano, and is just a bit different to A. P. Pereira.

The Club started fairly well. T. A. Pearce seemed to find no difficulty in playing the bowling, and Carey kept up his wicket though he could not get the ball away, and was inclined to play too soon, especially at Orazio. The ball got up awkwardly at times, and at others kept low. I have an idea too much water is put on on Friday evening, and they would do better to start on Wednesday and reduce rather than increase the watering from thence onwards. Pearce after twenty had gone up started to force the pace but after hitting a big straight drive for four (the outfield very nobly rolled under the screen after a good attempt at it) and a very lofty hook for three, both off Orazio, he was l.b.w. to one from Pereira, which came in enough to beat the bat.

ASTOUT KNOCK

After that but for a stout knock of 42 by Haymes the Club would indeed have been in the soup. The bowling was pretty accurate though Haymes hit a splendid four to long leg more or less off his eyebrows. In the end there was the usual dull draw. There was no very outstanding bowling feat.

I.R.C. VICTORY

Playing without Teddy Fincher the K.C.C. were beaten by the better team at Sookunpoo. They had first knock and Haymes, who plays all ten seldom hit up sixty-seven and there were five other double figure scores but they could only reach 101—a not very good total for such a strong batting side. Whether they were upset by the alteration in the batting order with Donald Anderson going in "right hand" I don't know, but they failed to do Lloyd. The I.R.C. bowling I am told was better than their fielding and that the latter was in no way up to their usual form. It is, I know, true that the standard of the I.R.C. fielding is not as high as it was about eight years ago, but then it was very good indeed.

When the Indians went in to bat they definitely established a superiority. Kitchell and Madar both reached the half century. A. M. Benjamine, 31, not out, while the veteran A. H. Rumbajan scored 19 out of an opening partnership of 45 runs. The runs were hit off shortly before time and I.R.C. won by 7 wickets.

THE VARSITY BEATEN

The Varsity went in first and off the opening ball of the match, Matthews was dropped in the slips off Perry. However Hong Choy was bowled almost immediately after and in his next over the same bowler beat Sen Gupta. McElliott after three overs went off for Whitley who bowled Tam Kong-ye. Further disaster came when Bond fielded a ball smartly and threw down Matthews' wicket. After his initial escape Matthews batted half an hour for six runs, and seems to have no scoring shots. On played well for his 16, but Bond took a good catch and this time Perry had put him on with Richardson. Tsui 19, batted very well—I don't know why he went in so low down—but R. Singh (21) did even better. All out for nineteen C.S.C. got the runs easily.

IN AND OUT CLUB BATTING

The Club second contrived to lose four wickets for twenty-nine runs against the Recreio second. The fifth fell at 48, and then Mitchell and Bishop put on 50 for the sixth wicket and when the latter had gone for a most useful 32, well caught at long off, Captain Lawrence came in in a most aggressive mood. What I like about his batting is that he either does or he doesn't. On Saturday he did and closed the ball very hard hitting two sixes and five fours, some of the latter being fore-arm shots played off the back foot. He got 4, 6, 4, off consecutive balls. He completed his fifty as did Mitchell who was not out. There is no doubt he saved his side from defeat by a good captain's innings.

The Recreio had little difficulty in staving off defeat thanks to a fine 67 by A. J. M. Prata who so far outdid Lawrence as to net two sixes and nine fours. Another draw. Club v. Army game of Monday, whether or no I shall be able to get it into this paper or to-morrow's my readers know better than I do at the time of writing.

PORTUGAL RESISTS STRONGLY

China Fully Extended To Win International Soccer Match 2-1

(By "Rox")

THE MAGNIFICENT DISPLAY of Portugal's team which was a mixture of surprise and delight to the huge crowd of enthusiastic spectators at Sookunpoo yesterday, should have resulted in a victory over China.

They very nearly turned the tables on their confident opponents. China's team was composed of all first division players, mostly selected from South China, and were used to each other's type of play as opposed to what may be termed a scratch team which included several third division players, but it took them all their time to manage an almost gift win by the score of two goals to one.

Portugal were without the services of N. Beltrao, C. Reme-dios and J. Gomes, the former two were not selected and the last named for some reason did not turn out as expected, while B. Gosano was not up to his usual standard, his recent illness no doubt contributing to this.

R. Marques, who was in goal gave a superb performance despite his long lay off from competitive football. He effected several really fine saves, which received due appreciation from the crowd, and he could not be blamed for the goals that beat him.

C. Marques and J. Alves were as safe a pair of backs as one could wish for and stood well against the strong attacks of the Chinese, clearing powerfully. A. V. Gosano's performance surpassed that of any other player on the field, but he was given insufficient support by his wing-halves. Delgado and Fernandes, though playing as well as can be, seemed rather over-awed by the occasion and the crowd, and appeared nervous.

COMBINATION LACKING

THE FORWARDS lacked the usual combination and for some time appeared disjointed, but they improved as the game progressed, and for the better part of the second period had the Chinese penned in their own half; but a mixture of over-anxiety, bad shooting (when in front of goal) and hard luck robbed them of goals which should have placed them in the lead.

Castilho played a good game on the right wing but could not adjust himself with his inside partner Santos, who was guilty of missing several goals to his inaccurate playings. B. Gosano was a trier and led his line as well as he could, and was extremely unfortunate with several of his shots which skimmed the bar or hit the upright the wrong way rebounding into play. The left wing pair, Pereira and A. Alves showed better understanding, but their finishing left much to be desired.

TAM NERVOUS

TAM between the sticks was his usual self during most of the game, but was distinctly nervous in the second half when Portugal were pressing. During this period he did not receive the usual strong support of his backs. Lee Tin-sang, who is usually very safe, missed the ball completely on three occasions. Lee, but for his lapse, played well, and was given good support by Mak.

The Chinese halves were a stubborn trio. Leung, although somewhat erratic, at times played a safe game and had B. Gosano well marked. Lau Hin-chol was inclined to give too much rope to Portugal's left wing, but he stepped up after a time. Hul, up to the time of his injury, gave good assistance to Leung, and played a sterling game. On several occasions he broke up some dangerous moves on his side of the field, but in the second half he was perceived to be limping and could not do what was expected of him.

Cheuk Shek-kim was not all at home with his inside partner and club mate, Chow Man-che, and his play all round was mediocre; indeed he was being continually robbed of the ball when in a good position to centre. China's inside left was very tricky, and fed his centre, Chan Tak-fai of South China "B", with many through passes, but Chan could not take advantage due to the close attendance of A.V.

Lai Shu-wing, who put in a late appearance at inside right, lacked enthusiasm due apparently to the absence of Fung King-cheung his usual partner in league football, and seemed to have no heart for the game. He rarely exerted himself, and did not make full use of his right wing. He "muffed" several openings, which should have resulted in goals, and by his work threw the Chinese forward line out of gear.

NOTABLE ABSENTEES

NOTABLE ABSENTEES from the China team were Fung King-cheung, and Ip Pak-wah who were originally chosen for the side and several reserves had to be called upon. It is not known the reason for Fung's absence, but Ip pulled a muscle in South China's game with St. Joseph on Saturday.

THE GAME

PORTUGAL started shaky apart from the fact that they made the first goal on the Chinese goal, whereas the Chinese appeared certain of the result and were lax in their efforts. The rude awakening they received when Castilho came near with a last shot as did Pereira.

China broke away through a clearance by Leung, Chan obtaining the ball to lob it over the head of Marques to Chow. Challenged by Alves, Chow lobbed the ball over the former's head back to Chan, who tripped over the pass, putting Marques off, and scoring with a fairly easy shot twelve minutes from the start.

The second half was fraught with thrills. Portugal putting in their all to gain the equaliser. B. Gosano hit the cross bar with Tam unsighted from 30 yards out. Santos sent in a soft shot which Tam handled easily.

SCORES EQUAL

THE EQUALISER came soon after a strong attack by the Chinese. Portugal broke away on the right, with Castilho and Santos interpassing splendidly before the latter punted to B. Gosano whose first timer hit the cross bar to rebound Santos for him to meet it with his head.

A ding-dong struggle ensued with both sides scoring—scoring Portugal's defence rallied from the equaliser and easily overshadowed their contemporaries who appeared flustered and blundering continuously.

Mak misjudged the flight of a high ball by Alves the ball bouncing behind him. Santos came over through before Tam could advance near enough side-stepped him and with an open goal attempted an angle shot which resulted in the ball hitting the upright and bouncing out of play for Lee to clear in the nick of time.

This was the turning point in the Portuguese as the Chinese put forward their best endeavours to gain the ascendancy.

A fine movement of Santos-Castilho-Gosano saw the latter sending in a rasping drive which Tam failed to clear. Santos came over from the left for the kick, and in the ensuing scramble it was thought that a goal was scored, but Lee saved the occasion by punting well down the field.

The Chinese halves asserted themselves for a brief space and Marques was called upon to pull off the line saves which he did in his old inimitable style.

Extra time was being whispered when Hul sent Lal off with a grand long pass. Drawing A. V. Lal sent a hard pass to Chan who met it with a first timer from an oblique angle—Marques little expecting it.

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Boxing

GARCIA RETAINS TITLE

Lee Knocked Out In 13th Round

MANILA, Dec. 23 (Reuter).—Ceferino Garcia, Filipino holder of the world middleweight boxing championship, retained his title here to-night when he knocked-out Glen Lee, the "Nebraska Wildcat," in the 13th of their scheduled 15-round bout, which was held before a big crowd at the Rizal Memorial Stadium.

The fight was one of the best of Garcia's spectacular ring career, and was witnessed by 25,000 fans, whose enthusiasm was not in the least dampened by rain.

The bout came to a sudden end two minutes and 39 seconds after the start of the 13th round, when Lee was counted out.

Garcia weighed in at 152½ lb. and Lee at 160. Both fighters were aggressive in the opening rounds, most of which were won by the Filipino, who meted out terrific punishment. Lee sustained bruises and cuts on the face from Garcia's savage attacks.

The gate receipts totalled 150,000 pesos.

United Press Version. The United Press says that in the first round Garcia's famous "bolo punch" split Lee's lips and blood oozed out of his mouth. Garcia maintained a savage onslaught and brought the American to his knees for three in the fourth round. The Filipino was on top again in the eighth when he floored Lee for eight, and in the 11th the American was just able to stand, taking terrific punishment for two counts of nine and one of seven.

Lee was very game and attempted to rally in the sixth and ninth, but was forced into clinches in which he took terrible punishment to the body. After the third round Garcia's right played havoc on Lee's face, which presented a bloody and swollen appearance.

The 13th round started slowly. Lee went into a clinch and as Dempsey separated the boxers, the Filipino landed a left and a right which floored Lee, who rose only to take a terrific right hook on the chin from which he failed to regain his feet. Dempsey raising Garcia's hands just before the bell.

INTERNATIONAL MATCH TO-DAY

England Meets Scotland On Club Ground

TO DECIDE China's opponent in the final of the International Cup football competition, England meets Scotland to-day on the Club ground at 3.30 p.m.

The teams are: Scotland—Duncan (Scots); A. Bone (Club), Blackburn (Police), Captain, Clarke (Scots), McEwen (Club), Williamson (Kowloon), Clarke (Scots), Munro (Scots), Pryde (Club), Hosack (Scots), Ferrier (Police), Tait (Middlesex).

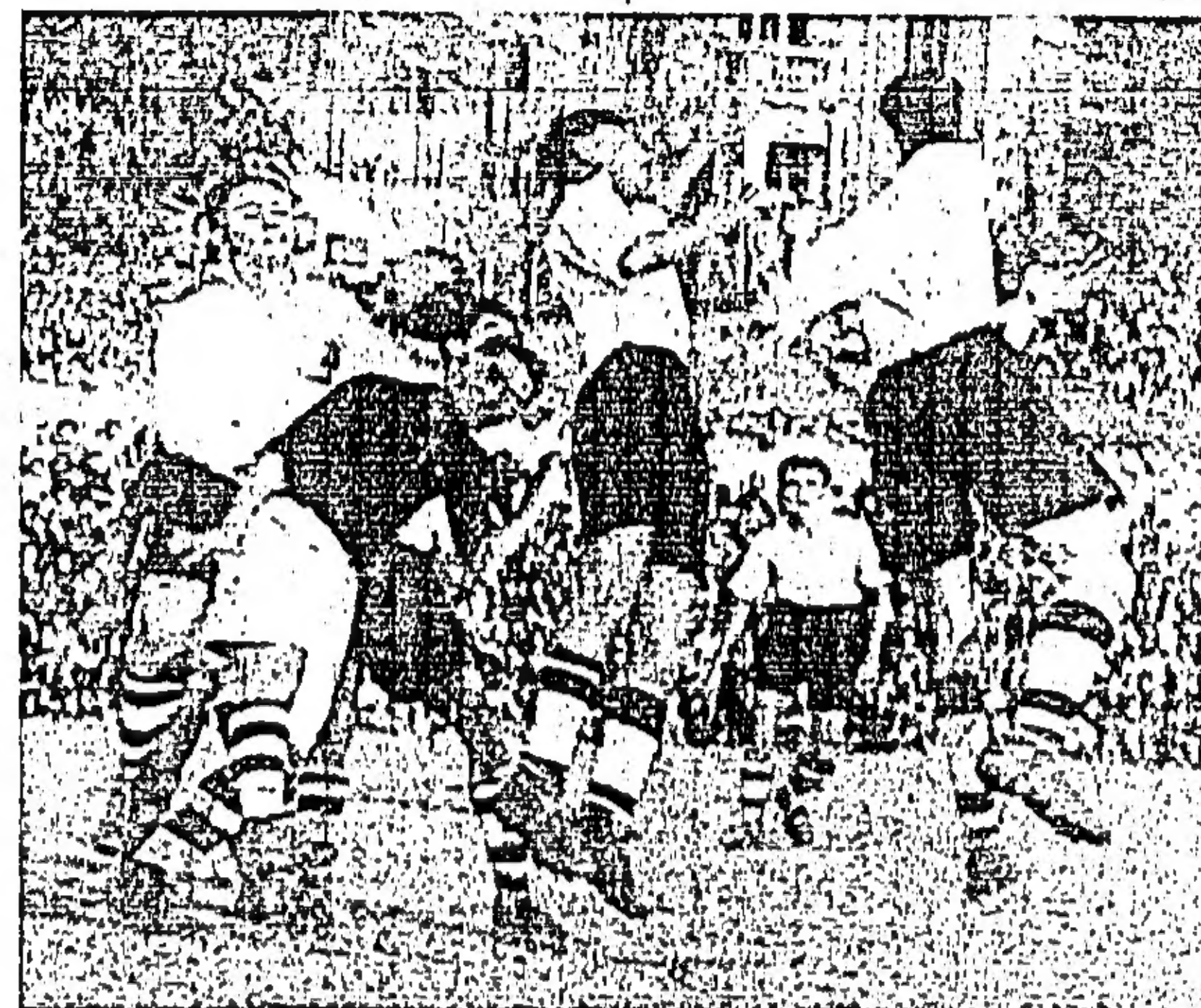
Reserves, Dignan (Signals), Birrell (Engineers), Gibb (Scots). England—Robinson (Navy); Roughley and Hendy (Navy); Layle (Navy), Bright (Macc) and Wilkinson (Macc); Gardner (H.K.E.), Thorburn (Navy), Fowler (Club), Saw (Macc) and Thomas (Macc). Reserves—E. Strange (Club), Brett (Navy), Rides (R.A.O.C.) and Freshwater (Macc).

TWO HORSES DIE IN SAME RACE

LONDON, Dec. 13.—There were two fatalities to horses at Wetherby on Dec. 8. Solitaire was destroyed after breaking a fellack in the Cowthorpe Novices' Hurdle Race, and Uncouth dropped dead after finishing second in the same race.

This was Uncouth's first race over Hurdles, but he battled on well to finish only a length behind the winner, and ran himself to a standstill. His jockey, E. Wanless walked back to the paddock with the saddle, and, after he had been duly weighed-in by one of the stewards, Uncouth was allowed to remain second.

Solitaire, favourite for the race, won the Manchester November Handicap two years ago.—Our Own Correspondent.



Rising to the occasion. Heads reaching for the ball from a high centre during the International Cup soccer game between China and Portugal at Sookunpoo yesterday. China won 2-1.—Mec Cheung.

Lindrum Beats Twelve Amateurs And Breaks World Record

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Walter Lindrum, world's billiards champion, conceded 24,000 points to 12 amateurs at Melbourne—and won!

The result was: Lindrum 36,352, Amateurs 27,988. Scoring at the rate of 909 an hour, Lindrum broke Joe Davis' world record break under the new balk line rule, with a run of 2,466, and also had breaks of 1,859, 1,054 and 1,036.—Our Own Correspondent.

BACHELORS WIN AT I.R.C.

The annual Married v. Single match at the Indian Recreation Club yesterday resulted in a win for the bachelors by 39 runs. Scoring was remarkably high, and three half-centuries were scored. A. R. Minu, the Club captain, was top-scorer with a hard hit 74.

The scores were: Bachelors—213 (A. R. Minu 74, A. R. Sullad 52, K. Nazrin 31, S. Adam Ismail 3 for 13). Benedicts—174 (C. Shipp 63, M. Razack 31, A. R. Minu 4 for 62).



Bobby Locke, the young South African Golfer, posed after a drive.

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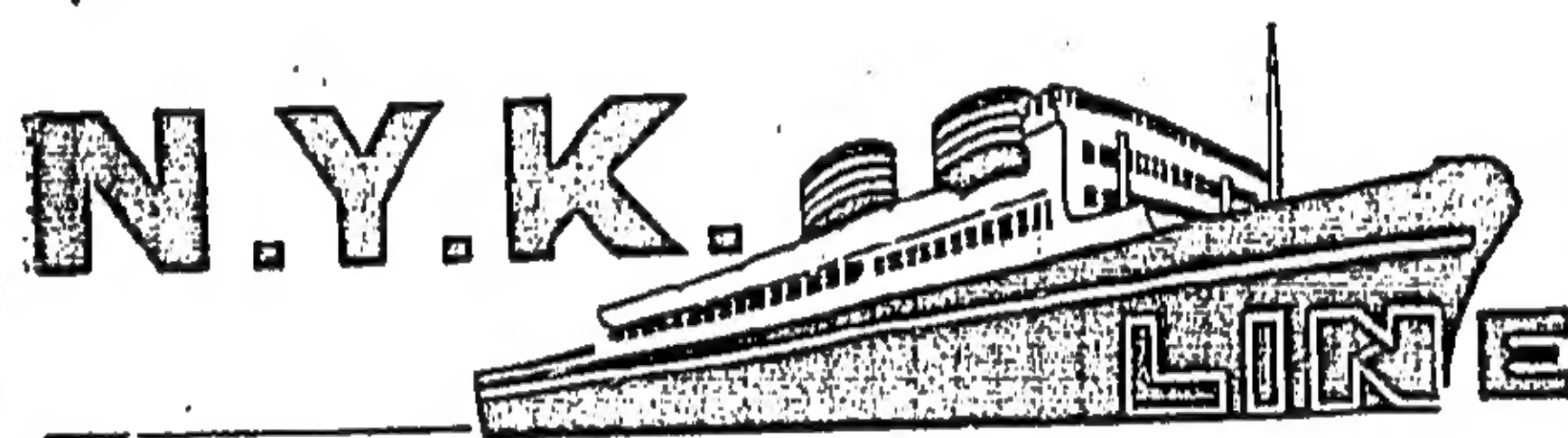
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Far-Seeing Policy Will Win the War

ALLIED STRATEGY IS VICTORY AT LEAST COST

By J. Emlyn Williams

LONDON.—The war on the Western Front, now
nearing its fourth month, has produced so little specta-
cular progress that circles which have little comprehen-
sion of the present conflict in all of its aspects have shown
some impatience that "more is not being done."

Investigation into many of the
deeper phases of the war how-
ever, discloses that far-reaching
things are being done and that
the Allies are planning on a
long-range basis so as to make
victory secure with as little loss
of human life as possible.

Criticism of the present alleged
slow development of the war, it must
be emphasized, takes into considera-
tion only the military aspect of
things, such as attacks on military
objectives and great spectacular bat-
tles. Such thinking is limited to
terms of 1914.

Support Of Strategy

However, today's conditions on
the Western Front are, in many
ways, as different as between 1870
and 1914. The extensive mechan-
ization in the present war and the
new weapons at the command of
the armies, make for "extensive
change." But it must be recalled that
even during the World War there
were long waiting periods between
great offensives. Yet, even from a
military viewpoint alone, it can be
shown that the present policy of the
Allies is justifying itself. And when
to this is added the naval, diploma-
tic, and economic policies of the
Allies, it is clear that any other mil-
itary action would be foolish. It
should be said here that, though
certain Britons may have disre-
garded some weeks ago as to whether
the Government meant business—because
Germany was bombed with leaflets
instead of more immediately explo-
sive missiles—now to-day can be
found in London, the present
policy in France, whether it be the
direct military efforts or the so-
called man in the street.

Looking for a moment at the
military aspect of war, there are
good reasons why Generalissimo
Mare Gustave Gamelin, by follow-
ing a cautious policy, is a successful
attempt to close in rapidly on the
Siegfried Line, according to the high-
est military authorities, would have
left the Allies in possession of a large
area, but one which was poorly con-
solidated and lacking in offensive
defence. Further action to take
the Siegfried Line itself would have
meant a tremendous loss of human
lives and would have left a jagged
line or series of "pockets." These, as
the World War proved, would have
left the Allies most vulnerable to
attack.

Even supposing that the British
and French troops had advanced a
greater distance before the bulk of
the German could have arrived from
Poland the consequence would have
been a great counter-offensive under
conditions unfavourable to the Allies.
They would be fighting on new and
unknown territory—and it would prob-
ably have meant being thrown back
upon the Maginot Line after having
sustained heavy losses.

Cautious Policy

General Gamelin's cautious policy,
on the other hand, has meant that
the Allies would make gains which
could be consolidated as they pro-
ceeded and, unlike 1914, it is not
Germany, but the Allies, who are
fighting according to plan. It is the
French who are on German soil, not
the Germans on Belgian or French
territory.

In addition, with the sacrifice of
only a few troops, the French have
held important Saar economic areas
and it was the German, not the
French population there which felt
the impact of the important military
results to date in favour of the Allies
are that the National Socialists have
lost the initiative, that they cannot
any longer hope for victory through
the lightning war or "Blitzkrieg"
technique. General Gamelin's tactics
moreover compel the enemy to reveal
his tactics and disposal of his troops
Thus the Allies may be ready for
any major offensive that the Ger-
mans may attempt. In fact, it can
be asserted that the Allied prepara-
tions, Joseph Stalin, and the weather
conditions have stolen Hitler's
military thunder for the time-being.

Reference to the weather brings up
the fact that it is now past the mid-
dle of December, the season when
offensives are naturally broken off
rather than begun, yet Hitler's
strategy particularly since his
supplies are decreasing and hopes of
Russian aid are very doubtful.

Economic Measures

Meanwhile, while Germany is look-
ing around for trusty friends who
will initiate peace overtures for them
and are seeking markets within
Europe in which to make up their
deficiencies in essential raw materials,
the Allies are proceeding with their
diplomatic and economic measures
which are daily making victory surer
for them.

Diplomatically this is seen in



50 YEARS AGO

LONDON, Dec. 26, 1889.
The jewels of the Empress of Brazil,
comprising the finest diamonds in the
world, have been stolen in Rio Janeiro.

Robert Browning, the famous poet, is
dead.

25 YEARS AGO

Dec. 26, 1914.
It is officially announced in Paris
that the German cruiser Broaden,
which was captured by the British, has
been sent to the Falkland Islands.

The King has accepted a fleet of
motor ambulances as a Christmas gift
to the British Army and Navy from the
Maharaja of Gwalior. The Maharajah
and his family are residing in a
hospital ship, and the Maharajah has
contributed £25,000 towards the Relief
Funds.

As was to be expected, Christmas Day
in Hongkong was more remarkable for
its quietness than for its gaiety. For
the first time since the outbreak of the
war, the city was free from the noise
and confusion of the war. The city
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10 YEARS AGO

Dec. 26, 1929.
For the past two days, Hongkong has
been experiencing a cold snap, the
effects of which have been all the more
keenly felt from the fact that it follows
an unusually hot spell.

The temperature recorded at the
Royal Observatory this morning at
6 o'clock and again at 7 o'clock was
44.5.

5 YEARS AGO

Dec. 26, 1934.
It is officially announced in Moscow,
that fourteen leaders of the "former
Zinoviev Opposition," have been turned
out to exile to the Arctic region, the
highest court of the land, charged with
plotting the execution and assassination
of the Soviet executive Kirov, murdered
two weeks ago.

Three hundred and fifty Italian
Grenadiers, the largest foreign contin-
gent so far to arrive were received in
a long procession by the Mayor of
London, outside the station in
Sunderland. This attitude was ex-
plained by one Sunderland, who said:
"We didn't ask them to come. The
main thing is that to-morrow
and meanwhile the British troops al-
ready here are settling down."

A message from Calais states that
impressed troops, including the arrival
of the British troops for the Saar, com-
prising nearly a thousand officers and
men of the Essex and East Lancashire
Regiments.

Cries of "Vivent Les Anglais!" and
"Vive l'Angleterre!" rang as the
troops marched to the Chant and later
entrained for the Saar.

Thinks War Will
Not Last Long
Air-Marshal Sir John Salmond,
speaking at Eastbourne, said that
there were great signs "that the war
may not be as long as some people
expect, because the country of this
murderer has of itself rejected in
great measure, though not on the
surface but underground, the prin-
ciples that he has forced on them."

"I think, personally, the war is not
going to be so long as the last one,
but that is my personal opinion, and
I may be wrong."

signature of the British, French and
Turkish pacts which strike a hard
blow at German hopes in Southeast
Europe, reveal Russia as not too en-
thusiastic, and will certainly result
in keeping Italy neutral, if not mak-
ing it more pro-Allied.

Economically Germany's industrial
production has already passed the
peak and a shortage of raw materials
is making itself felt. The Allies, on
the other hand, are only now work-
ing up to full production of war es-
sentials. This new industrial mobil-
ization applies not only to Britain and
France but also to their Empires, as
recent reports of industrial develop-
ments in Canada, Australia, and
South Africa clearly indicate.

Time is on the side of the Allies.
They can wait, since every day makes
them stronger relative to the enemy.
Their people stand at free people
united behind them, filled with the
same ideals to-day as have been
theirs for generations. There is no
fear of revolution occurring in the
rear of their armies. Germany, on
the other hand, is to-day more dis-
united than was at first thought and
less prepared in all ways for a long
struggle than it ever has been.

In such circumstances it would
indeed be criminal were the Allied
military authorities to sacrifice
thousands of human lives merely for
speculative successes since they are
convinced that victory is theirs what-
ever happens.

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have a distinguishing badge.

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at sea since the beginning of
the war and are unable to
sign on again will be entitled
to the badge.

War Weddings Record Numbers Attend The Registries

LONDON, Dec. 23.
Two weddings every ten minutes, is
the schedule at most London registry
offices to-day, where most registrars
are officiating at anything up to 70
marriages apiece.

Many thousands of men from the
British Expeditionary Force are get-
ting married on their Christmas leave
and in the majority of cases notices
of marriage have been given by the
girls themselves after having received
proposals from France when it
became known that Christmas leave
was in the offing.

The rush to get married has been
accentuated because the majority of
brides could give no better indication
of time than, "My sweetheart will
be home at Christmas."

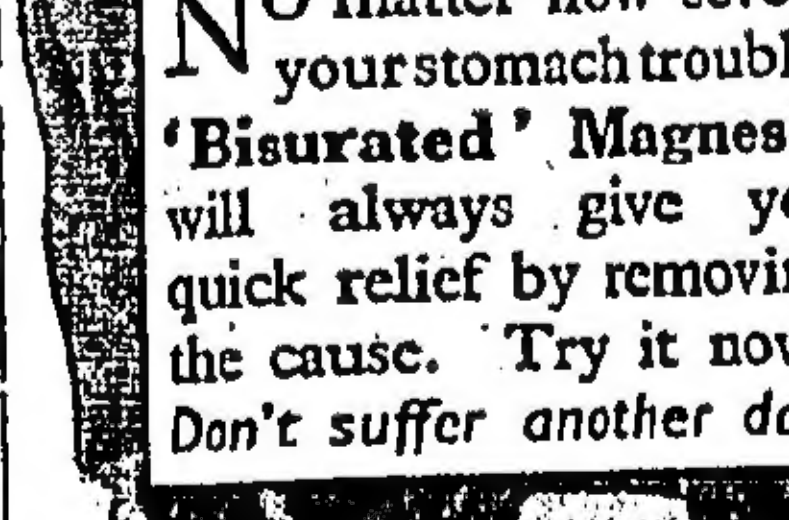
Consequently registry offices had
extra registrars on duty to cope with
the rush.
At Paddington there have been four
all day. All registry offices have
been decorated with holly and misle-
toe and most report that members of
the B.E.F. produced the highest pro-
portion of their clients—the propor-
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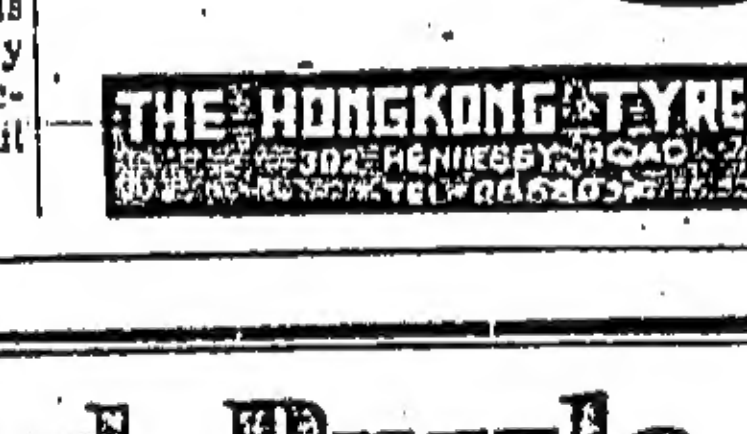
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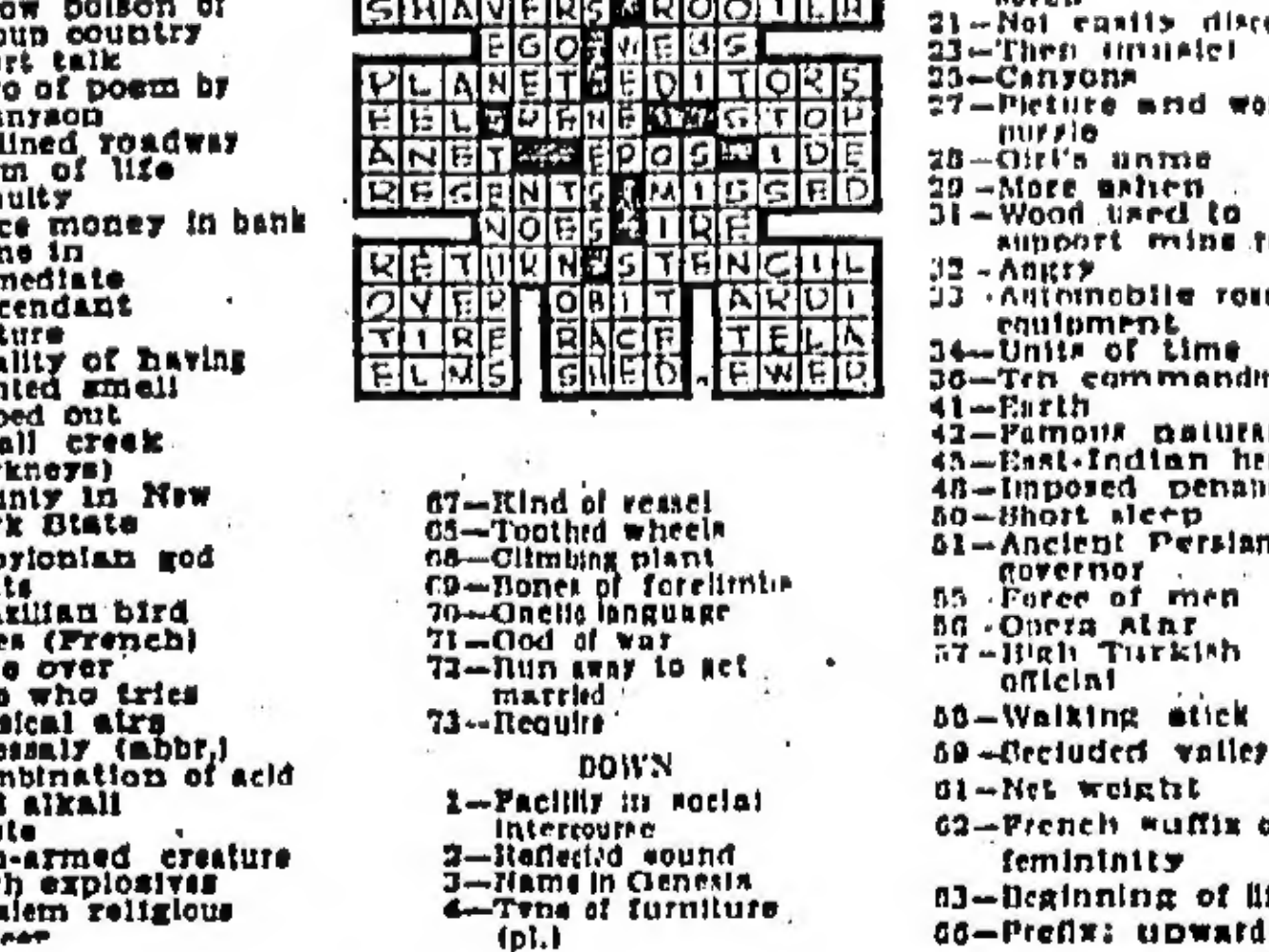
By LAIS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Types of herb
2—Beverages
3—Ability of stomach
(pl.)
4—Round
5—Measure of area
6—Pill
7—Trow poison of
Goblin country
8—Thirst
9—Hero of poem by
Keats
10—Inclined roadway
11—Form of life
12—Place money in bank
13—Come to
14—Immediate
15—Nature
16—Quality of having
17—Winged one
18—Small creek
(corners)
19—County of New
York State
20—Babylonian god
21—Brazilian bird
(ones of forelimbs)
22—One who tries
23—Therapy (abbr.)
24—Combination of acid
and alkali
25—State
26—Ten-armed creature
27—High explosive
28—Sudden religious
outburst

DOWN

1—Facility in social
2—Hatched wound
3—French suffix of
femininity
4—Beginning of life
5—Prefix: upward



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JERSEY SUIT

—for a Toddler

Materials Required: 8oz. of 4 ply beige knitting wool, 3oz. of 4 ply Polynit Flame, 1 pr. Knitting Pins Nos. 11, 12, 6 buttons, 1yd. of elastic.

Measurements: Jersey—Length from shoulder, 11 1/2 in.; across underarms, 11 1/2 in.; sleeve length from shoulder, 11 in.; Knickers—Back length to top of leg, 11 in.; front length to top of leg, 10 in.; across widest part, 10 in.

Abbreviations: K, knit; P, purl; Sts, stitches; Dec, decrease; Inc, increase; Pat, pattern; Top, together; S, slip. Knit into the backs of all cast on stitches.

MOTHERS, aunts and sisters are all busy knitting comforts for the troops. But, in between times, as a change from khaki and blue, there are warm woollies to make for those at home.

Sunny Boy will look nice in this Jersey suit. It will keep him warm, too, for it is closely knitted in 4-ply wool to give substance to the garment. You'll find this outfit will keep its shape well after repeated tubbings.

A pretty pinky beige, with flame edging, was chosen for the suit worn by the toddler photographed here.

Tuck-In Jersey

BACK: With beige wool and No. 12 pins cast on 60 sts. Rib 1 inch—K. 1, P. 1. Change to No. 8 pins and pat.

Rows 1 to 3—K. 2, P. 2, repeat from * to end of row. Rows 4 to 6—P. 2, K. 2, repeat from * to end of row. These 6 rows form pattern. Work until 7 1/2 inches from cast on edge.

Shape Armholes: Cast off 2 sts. at the beg. of next 6 rows. Work 4 inches on the remaining 60 sts. Shape Shoulders: Cast off 6 sts. at the beg. of the next 6 rows. Cast off remaining sts.

FRONT: With No. 12 pins, cast on 30 sts. Rib 1 inch—K. 1, P. 1, increasing in every 10th stitch of last row only. (88 sts.) Change to No. 8 pins, and work in pattern, until 7 1/2 inches from a cast on edge.

Shape Armholes: Cast off 2 sts. at the beg. of next 6 rows. Then divide stitches for front opening as follows:—Work 32 sts., cast off 8 sts., work 32 sts. Work each neck of 32 sts. for 3 inches.

Shape Neck: Decrease one stitch every row at the neck edge, until 22 sts. remain. Shape Shoulder: Cast off 6 sts. at the beg. of the next 3 armhole end rows. Work back to the armhole, cast off 10 sts.

Short Sleeves

With No. 12 pins, and flame wool, cast on 60 sts. Rib 5 rows—K. 1, P. 1, rib. Change to No. 8 pins, and beige wool, knit one row. Continue in pat. until 1 1/2 inches from cast on edge.

Shape Top: Cast off 2 sts. at the beg. of every row, until 12 sts. remain. Cast off.

Long Sleeves

With No. 12 pins and flame wool, cast on 40 sts. Rib in K. 1, P. 1 for 1 1/2 inches. Change to No. 8 pins and pattern. Work until 10 inches from cast-on edge. Increasing one stitch each end of every 4th row until 60 sts.

Knit in With Long or Short Sleeves



Designed in basket stitch, the jersey contrasts prettily with the ribbed trousers.

Shape Top: Cast off 2 sts. at the beg. of every row until 12 sts. Cast off underwrap to front fastenings. With No. 12 pins and beige wool, cast on 12 sts. Work 3 inches plain knitting. Cast off.

Front Straps: With No. 12 pins and beige wool, cast on 12 sts. Rib 3 rows. K. 1, P. 1. Make buttonhole. Rib 4 sts., cast off 4 sts. Rib 4 sts. Next row: Rib 4 sts., cast on 2 sts., rib 4 sts.

Make 2 more buttonholes, one inch apart, rib 11 inches more, then decrease one stitch each end of every row until all sts. are gone.

Edging for Straps: With No. 12 pins and flame wool, cast on 4 sts., rib 9 inches, K. 1, P. 1. Cast off.

Peter Pan Collar

With No. 12 pins and beige wool, cast on 100 sts. Rib 1 1/2 inches—K. 1, P. 1. Change to flame wool and rib 5 rows—K. 1, P. 1, casting on 18 sts. at the beg. of the first 2 rows. Cast off very loosely, in rib.

Strap-On Knickers

With No. 12 pins and beige wool, cast on 18 sts. Rib 3 inch of K. 1, P. 1. Continue in stocking stitch (one row knit, one row purl), decreasing one stitch each end of every 4th row (84 sts.).

Shape Back: Wrong side of work facing, 1st row: Purl to the last 14 sts., turn knit back. 3rd row: Purl to the last 24 sts., turn knit back. 5th row: Purl to the last 34 sts., turn knit back. 7th row: Purl to the last 44 sts., turn knit back. Continue in this way until all stitches are on one pin. Now

rib one inch. K. 1-P. 1, on all stitches, taking tog. every 5th and 6th stitch of the first row only. Cast off in rib. Work another piece to correspond, with back shaping at the opposite edge.

STRAPS (2): With No. 12 pins, cast on 12 sts. Rib 1 1/2 inches—K. 1, P. 1. Make buttonhole as for the first strap of blouse, rib one more row, then dec. one stitch each end of every row until all stitches are gone.

To make up: Press all parts with warm iron and damp cloth, sew all seams, sew in sleeves. Sew edging of front strap and sides of collar. Sew on the underwrap, front strap and collar. Sew straps to knickers.

At the top of knickers, work one double crochet, 4 chain, then one double crochet, 4 chain, 3 inch below top of knickers. Repeat this all round, to form banding for elastic. Thread elastic work buttonholes, sew on four buttons.

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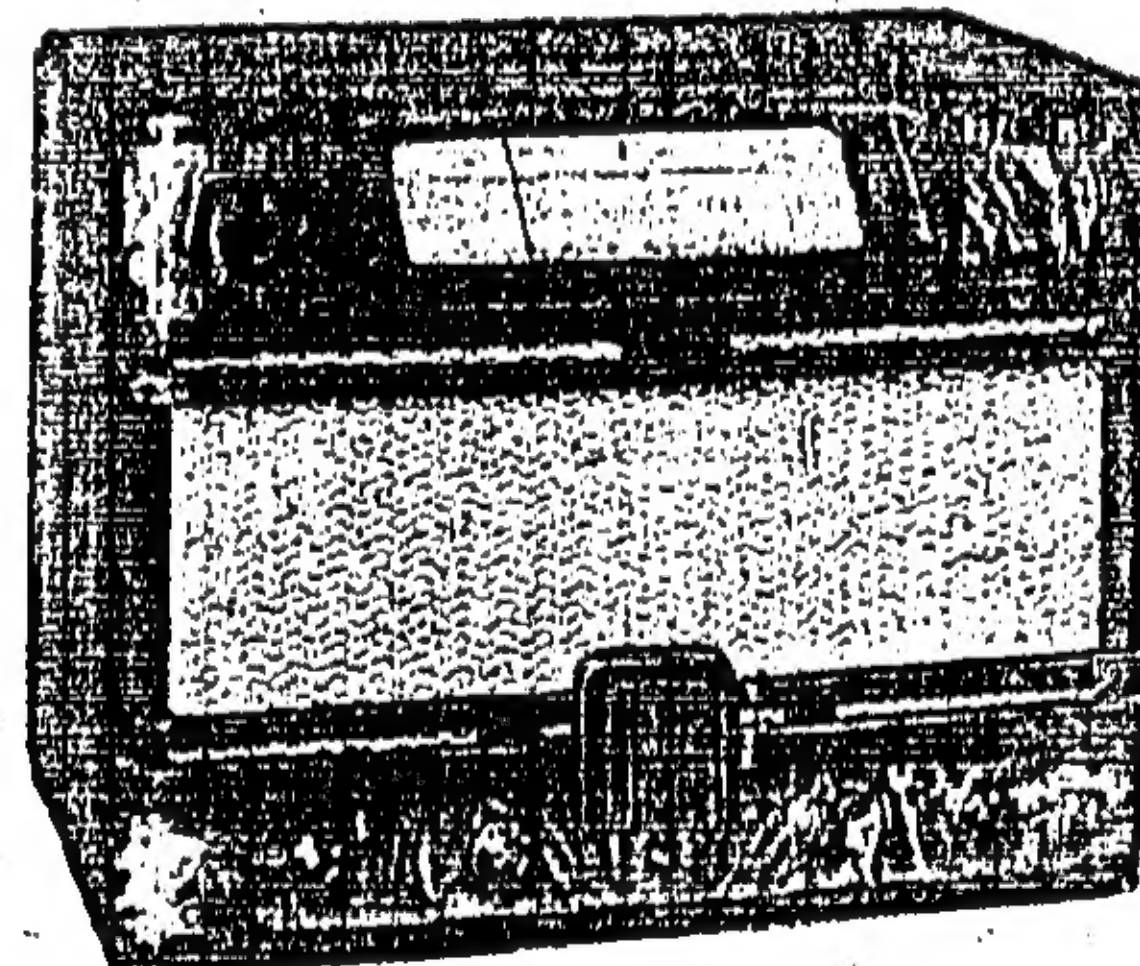
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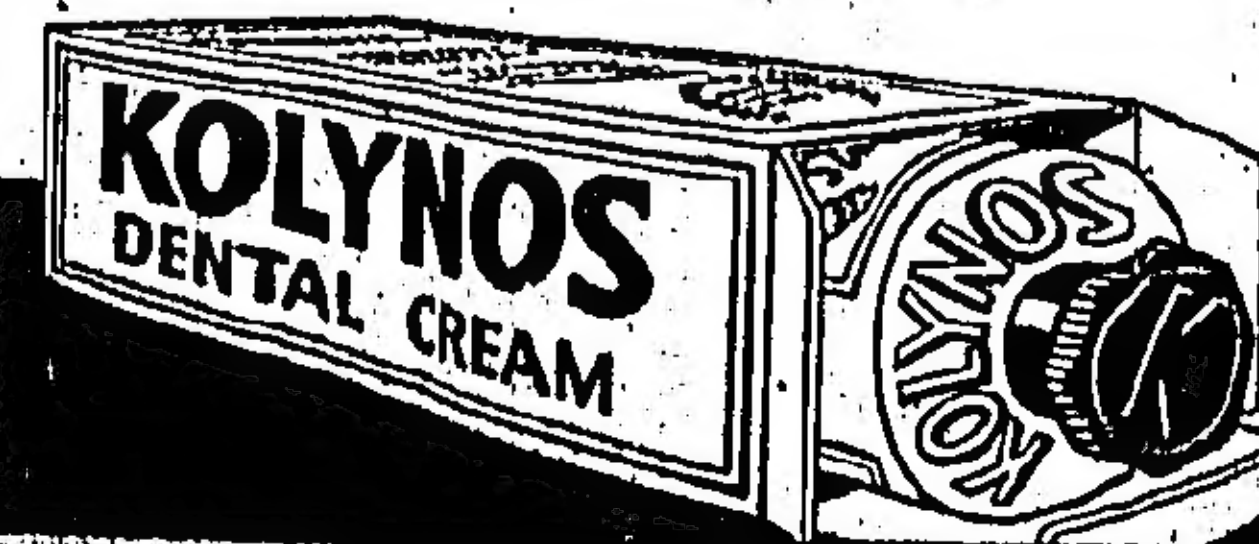
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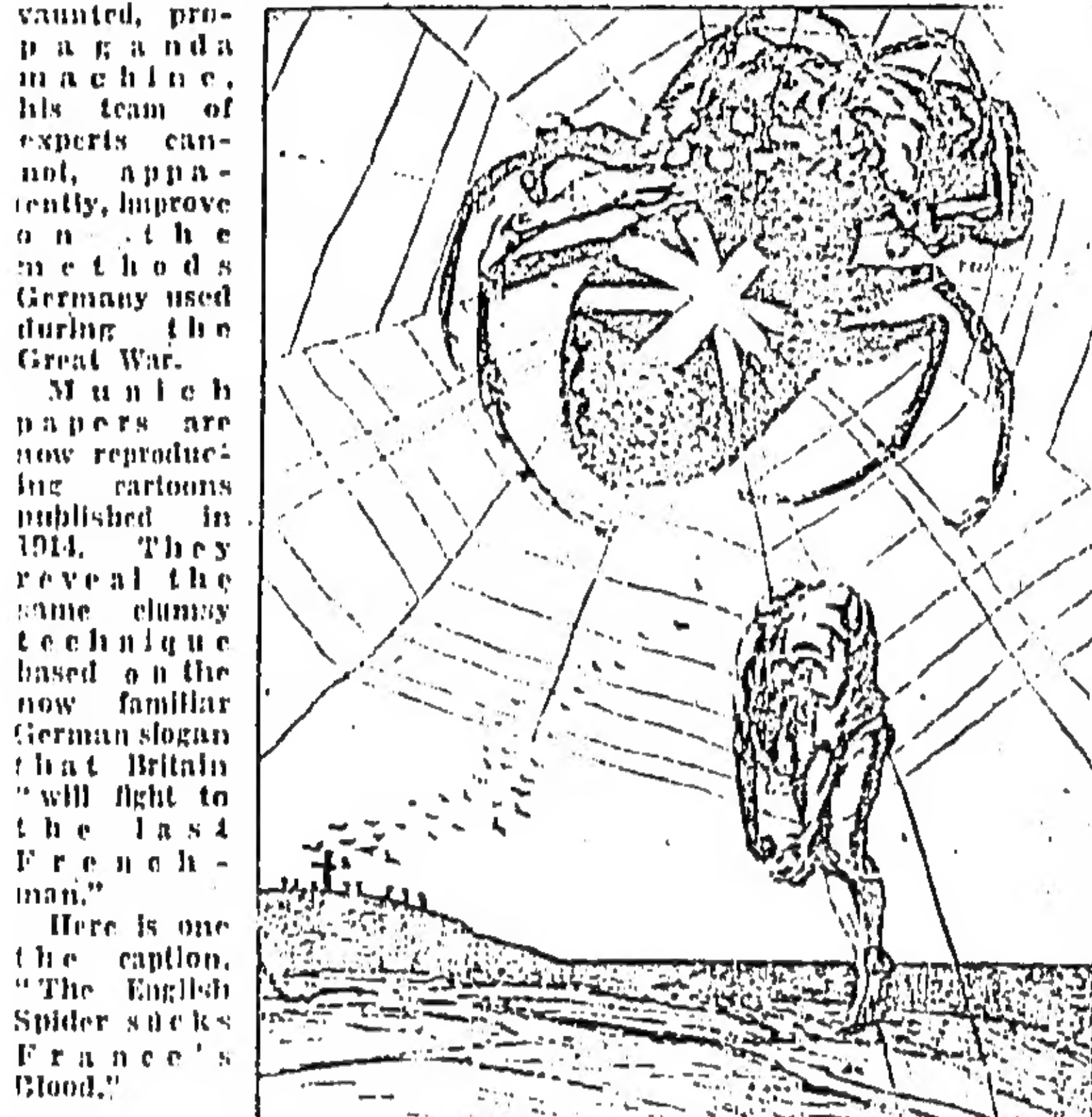
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H.M. SEES FIGHTERS IN ACTION

By PAUL BEWSHER, Daily Mail Special Correspondent

THE King, standing in the operations room of a Fighter Squadron to-day, snapped out an order into a radio telephone.

Three muffled-up airmen, sitting in the cockpits of the "readiness flight" of three Hurricanes, with

earphones—strapped—to their heads, heard the King's voice. It was an order to go up at once and patrol for enemy raiders.

In 10 seconds the huge engines were roaring and the three planes streaked up at terrific speed, their sharp noses pointing into the blue sky.

Meanwhile the King, who had hurried on to the aerodrome, watched the upward sweep of the machines with intense interest. "Fighters are always standing by like this—ready to leave in a second," he was told.

Raid System Shown

In the operations room the King was shown the system of dealing with an enemy raid and told how the operations officer follows the movements of the raiders and gives orders to the men flying hundreds of miles an hour miles overhead.

The King met a 24-years-old pilot of Yorkshire extraction who recently shot down a German reconnaissance machine. He is believed also to have shot down a second machine.

"A jolly good show," said the King.

It was the King's second day of inspection of the British sector in France.

Once again he carried out a long and exhaustive tour during which he walked just in front of lines of tens of thousands of troops, and saw many parts of the front area. Fortunately the weather was fine, if cold, and the King was able to wear a "British Warm" overcoat in place of his trench coat.

In groups of 50 the Guardsmen strode past with magnificent precision, as though on parade in Hyde Park.

Chateau Lunch

Afterwards, in a chateau where Wellington once slept, the King lunched with Lord Gort, the Commander-in-Chief, Lieutenant-General Brooke, a Corps Commander, and seven French generals in a small room overlooking the park.

This meal, in a well-furnished apartment with a view of what might have been English parkland, provided a sharp contrast to the King's meal yesterday in a small

Home Brew for the B.E.F.

BRITISH troops in France are nightly toasting a captain of the R.A.S.C., who has produced a fivepence-a-pint beer "just like home-brewed."

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By the way, the chateau was a picturesque affair with advertisements.

The cafe luncheon was comparatively elaborate, with chicken pie, Christmas pudding, and cheese. To-day's meal was a humble one of Lancashire hotpot and mince pies.

Many Dialects

First the King went to a large open field in which infantry had been drawn up in three sides of a square. These living walls spoke broad and homely dialects of many counties.

Slowly the King passed along the ranks, speaking to men whose medals or appearance suggested they had an interesting story. He passed before those men of Britain—standing like a rugged cliff in a foreign land—and turned and saluted proudly.

Then in a car flying a Royal Standard, which one day of this wet and blustering weather had already frayed, he drove on, amidst the mingled cheer of English soldiers and French civilians united in one common task.

Objectors Coached At Mock Tribunals

PEACE PLEDGE UNION'S SCHOOL for 'CONCHIES'

NAZI RADIO SNEERS

The Tommies' Five O'clock Tea

In communique language well-developed in the radio war were: "Light comedy units have been active on the German side."

The British Government's appeal to sportsmen for field-glasses had raised great glee in Berlin Broadcasting House, especially as mention was made in some quarters of German glasses.

"So the British cannot get along without German goods after all," sneered the announcer. "Perhaps the Tommies need binoculars to see the front line in France."

The latest idea of German broadcasters is to picture the Tommies wallowing in luxury while the poor Poles look on enviously. Consider the question of afternoon tea. White-hot indignation was generated in the German Broadcasting studio at the news that British soldiers are having five o'clock tea.

The announcer would have us believe that the Poles are very angry indeed about it—so angry that they also insisted on having a warm drink in the afternoon.

To judge from a broadcast given in German, Germany is also having her military drink problem.

During a transmission from a Nazi aircraft carrier the interviewer said: "Why is that beer bottle stuck on the ceiling?"

"Ah well," said the runner, "we had rather too much a few days ago and now beer is verboten for a week."

THE PEACE PLEDGE UNION HAS STARTED CLASSES IN ENGLAND FOR WOULD-BE CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS, WHERE THEY ARE COACHED IN THE BEST WAY OF PRESENTING THEIR CASES WHEN THEY APPEAR BEFORE THE TRIBUNALS.

As the man to investigate the union's activity, the London "Sunday Dispatch" sent a reporter of 21 who has just been passed AI by an Army Medical Board and is awaiting his call to the Colours, happy that he is about to do his bit.

I telephoned the Union's headquarters and asked to speak to someone regarding military service (he writes). "You want Miss Brown in the 'Conscientious Objectors Department,'" I was told.

My phone call was transferred to Miss Brown, who made an appointment for me to see her at their offices in Endeavour-street, Euston, London.

I went through a door marked "Inquiries," where a bright young woman told me to go to the first floor and ask for Miss Brown.

Miss Brown, a brunette of about 35 years, told me: "I am interviewing conscientious objectors all day long."

I then asked her the following questions. Here they are, with her answers:

Question: How do I go about registering as a conscientious objector?

Answer: There are three types of conscientious objection—religious, moral, and political. The political variety, incidentally, does not stand much chance.

When you are called to register, you sign as a conscientious objector. I will help you when the time comes. Meanwhile, I can advise you.

Some of the tribunals are frankly antagonistic to the conscientious objectors. We have voluntary workers watching at every tribunal.

Question: Do you take any steps to prepare objectors for these tribunals?

Answer: On Monday, Professor Joad is holding a mock tribunal with 20 conscientious objectors. He will put them through their paces, and about seven of them will go through the whole examination.

Question: Would you advise anyone to speak for me at the tribunal?

Answer: It would be better if you could get someone to testify that you have held pacifist principles for a long time.

If you wish to prepare a statement of your feelings regarding war, Professor Joad may be able to examine you and help you all he can.

Three Chances

Question: What would happen if they disallowed my conscientious objection?

Answer: You have three chances of appeal. And if they are all turned down?

Answer: I know a young man who is at present in the military prison. He registered for the Mulla and only realised he was a conscientious objector after he was in uniform. He refused to be a part of the Army. They sent him to a military prison for 28 days.

Question: People are being very generous to conscientious objectors just now. Do you think this will last?

Answer: No. When the first bomb falls the lot of a conscientious objector will be very hard.

War Map

As I left Miss Brown to talk to a conchise pupil I noticed a map of the Western Front on her wall.

I left feeling ashamed that the conversation between myself and Miss Brown was not just a bad dream.

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The Jersey, a destroyer, was able to reach port with the help of another warship.

53 Men Were Lost In H.M.S. Oxley Explosion

FOUR officers and 49 ratings lost their lives in H.M.S. Oxley, the submarine which, according to Mr. Churchill's statement in the House of Commons, was destroyed by an accidental explosion several weeks ago.

There were two survivors. One of the officers, Lieut. H. K. Manley, R.N.R., of Gravesend, leaves a widow of 22. He was the only child of Capt. F. Manley, superintendent of the Cunard-White Star, and before the war was a Trinity House pilot.

Rear-Admiral's Son

Another officer, Lieut. R. P. Coppinger, was the married son of Rear-Admiral R. H. Coppinger. Sub-Lieut. W. H. Palmer was undergoing a submarine course. Warrant Engineer R. W. C. Robertson had been attached to the Oxley for some months, following the submarine's transfer to reserve in May 1938.

H.M.S. Oxley was a ship of 1,354 tons. Following is the full list of casualties:

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Martin, J. H., stoker petty officer R.F.R., B/19010.

Miller, C., leading stoker R.F.R., P/KX 76722.

Murray, A. G., petty officer, C/JX 20045.

Nichell, C. R., electrical artificer 2, P/J 101520.

The Admiralty announced that when H.M.S. Jersey was torpedoed two officers and eight ratings were reported missing (believed killed), and two officers and ten ratings were injured.

The names are as follows:
Officers Missing (believed killed):
Gunner (T) G. L. Lucas, R.N., Lieut. (E) J. L. C. Morris, R.N.
Officers Injured: Cmdr. A. R. W. Archibald, R.N., Surgeon Lieut. H. G. Silvester, R.N.
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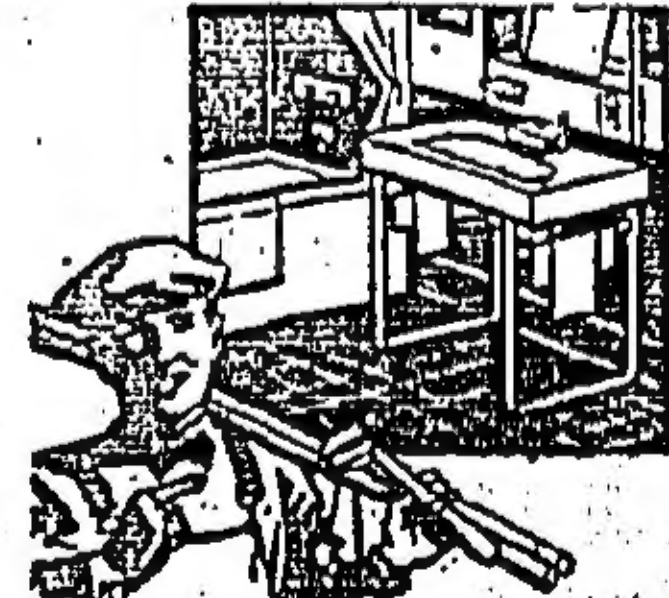
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WITH THE B.E.F. IN FRANCE.

THE KING talked to three important people to-day—M. Lebrun, our Ally's First Citizen and President, M. Daladier, their Prime Minister, and (no names allowed) a thirty-year-old Portsmouth man in an A.A. unit.

The President and the Prime Minister he met at an impressive luncheon in a provincial town behind our lines. The host was the King, partially repaying the hospitality he and the Queen received when they visited Paris some months ago.

Gort, our Commander-in-Chief, stood on the steps of the restaurant to welcome the King and the Prime Minister, and took them inside where the King waited.

As all three had met before, there were no introductions.

There was a little French boy in a sailor-suit (because of our Sailor-King?). He presented a bouquet almost as big as himself to the King and to the President. And he got a royal "Merci" all to himself.

We have been told "Cordial toasts were exchanged."

A bit of occasion. The King, Emperor of the French, in one of the parts of France that the English are ready to fight for.

Dawn To Dusk

THE nameless, important Portsmouth man—the King was inspecting those men who have the toughest jobs going in the B.E.F., the anti-aircraft men.

They begin their on-the-spot jobs at dawn, finish only at dusk. You never know when the enemy may appear in the air. Their positions are the roughest, the loneliest.

This man has been five years in the British Army. And he is only thirty years old now. His father before him was in the Army. Twenty-six years, and retired as a company sergeant-major, and lived at Alderhot.

His father and mother were happy recently when their son became company sergeant-major. Imagine that! Alderhot home even more recently when they got a letter telling them that their son is now second lieutenant.

The first man in the B.E.F. to be commissioned from the ranks. He got the news in a War Office telegram, which he automatically received while doing his routine work. He read it impersonally until he found it referred to himself.

His colonel shook his hand and made him a second lieutenant on the spot. Even gave him the necessary "sp" for such a promotion, which the colonel had to spare. The company sergeant-major was in the officers' mess that night, having a night-cap with the best of them.

He's popular with his fellow-officers and men. No small achievement.

Farm Scene

THE King went into a real French farmyard to see more A.A. Mud-Wallahs. The troops and their officers were as correct as could be. But the regular inhabitants of the yard, what a lot!

Roosters crowed and dogs barked. A farm-labourer's head stuck out of the loft window in the stable behind the men on parade.

A small terrier rushed up when the colonel stepped forward to meet the King. It yapped around the King's ankles, suddenly lost its nerve, and rushed away.

The local mayor was there. He was the owner of the farm. And his wife, both in their best Sunday black. The mayor wore black gloves and shook hands with the King wearing them.

He was so excited. His hands trembled as he held a paper and read:

"In the name of my country, I thank your Majesty. I thank your people. I thank your splendid and big army. So closely united with the French Army on the borders of our country, for the defence of this sublime and noble cause and for the defence of all humanity."

In a stentorian voice: "Vive le Roi! Vive l'Angleterre! Vive la France!"

WHEN the inspection was done, the colonel called with slow deliberation: "Three... cheers... for... his... Majesty... the King!"

A longer pause, and raucous squawks from the base of a haystack. A triumphant hen, a new laid egg. "Hip, Hip, HOOR-A-A-Y!"

That country mayor was another important man. There are millions of Frenchmen like him. He spoke their thoughts, too.

Smart Work By THE POLICE

Short Christmas Day story: 6.30 p.m.—Thief stole overcoat from bedroom of residence of Mr. N. Stockton, 123 Boundary Street, using bamboo pole through window. 6.45 p.m.—Thief reported to Shamshipo Police Station. 7.10 p.m.—Overcoat, recovered in Mongkok, returned to 123 Boundary Street by police.

LATE NEWS

Admiral Scheer Off S. America?

LONDON, Dec. 25 (Reuter).—A report coming from Columbia, South America, states that the German pocket battleship, Admiral Scheer, has been sighted off the coast.

The report came from some missionaries and it is stated that the warship was sighted close to the shore, probably just outside territorial waters.

It is believed that she had a rendezvous with a supply ship from Mexico.

The Colombian authorities sent out a vessel to investigate, but this was some hours afterwards, and when the vessel arrived on the scene the warship had disappeared.

Kronstadt Bombarded

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 25 (Reuter).—The Soviet naval base at Kronstadt was severely damaged by the fire of Finnish batteries in the first days of the year, says a Finnish claim.

So effective were the Finnish guns that the fires were observed to be raging four days afterwards.

One reason why the Red cruiser, Kirov, was sent to Tallinn to be repaired after being hit by Finnish coastal guns, was that Kronstadt was too badly damaged to deal with her.

ASHAMED OF HIS C.O. GRANDSON

THE grandfather of a conscientious objector wrote to the tribunal sitting here to-day that his family were ashamed of him.

Mr. John Bellman, a Finbury councillor wrote concerning his grandson, Arthur (Hockin) of Ux-borough, Iydeide (Devon):

"On my side he comes of a long line of soldiers and sailors. My ancestor was Captain Robert Bellman, of Cornwood, of Queen Elizabeth's days."

"He Could Drive"

"All the family are ashamed to hear that he is claiming exemption from service of King and Country. Should you consider that he is really a conscientious objector we in London hope that you will put him in the non-combatant service. He drives a motor-cycle and can drive an Army lorry. He could drive for the Medical Corps."

Hockin objected to serving in the Forces on religious grounds.

The case was adjourned for Hockin to secure letters from friends as further evidence of his convictions.

Never Saw A Film

A young Tipton member of the Plymouth Brethren, Charles F. Lind, says he never saw the film that he is.

He has never been to a cinema, theatre or dance, does not listen to the radio, and is not a member of any sports, games or football clubs, and was exempted from the compulsory O.T.C. at Marlborough School.

He was exempted from military service on condition that he should continue his present work in the health department of Somerset County Council.

Unlicensed Doctor Police Act On Information

Chun Mun, 32, who said he had qualified as a doctor at the Kwong Wah Hospital, Canton, was fined \$200 by Mr. Houston at Central Magistracy on Saturday for practising medicine when not registered.

Inspector Hopkins said he visited Chun's office in Queen's Road Central on Friday, accompanied by Dr. Valentine and secured a prescription from Chun.

Dr. Valentine said the action was taken following the receipt of an anonymous letter believed from a medical practitioner.

In finding Chun, Mr. Houston said if he continued to practise medicine, the maximum fine was \$1,000.

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